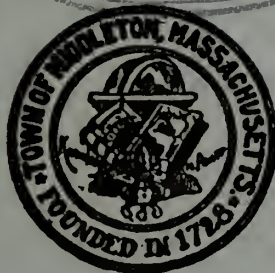




**REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**Receipts and Expenditures**  
**OF THE**  
**Town of Middleton**  
**FOR THE**  
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**REPORT**

**AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**OF THE**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**TO THE**

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

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**TOGETHER WITH A COPY OF  
THE WARRANT**



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**TO THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 15, 1960**

Your Finance Committee held a series of eight meetings to discuss proposed expenditures with those submitting budget requests, and conducted an open hearing February 9, 1960, to review with voters and department personnel the issue involved.

The recommended budget, detailed under Schedule "A", amounts to \$612,390.21, a sum exceeding last year's by \$103,835.89. This heavy increase is occasioned largely by Masconomet Regional School's first full year of operation, the 1959 budget covering merely four month's operation.

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Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD CRESSEY, Chairman

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HAZEN M. RICHARDSON

J. RUSSELL WALLEN

BARTHOLOMEW J. WHELAN

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GENERAL GOVERNMENT — 3.95% OF TOTAL				
Moderator				
1.	Salary	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Finance Committee				
2.	Epenses	50.52	59.70	100.00
Selectmen				
3.	Salaries	1,300.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
4.	Expenses	453.87	417.50	500.00
5.	Perambualting			150.00
6.	Clerk	333.33	400.00	450.00
Accountant				
7.	Salary	1,333.33	1,400.00	1,600.00
8.	Expenses	48.83	101.31	125.00

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	Treasurer				
9.		Salary	1,333.33	1,400.00	1,600.00
10.		Expenses	990.23	899.20	932.00
11.		Tax Titles	332.22	336.00	750.00
	Collector				
		Salaries and			
12.		Wages	1,513.33	2,520.00	2,640.00
13.		Expenses	867.63	740.27	980.00
14.		Equipment		576.50	
	Assessors				
15.		Salaries	1,700.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
16.		Expenses	908.07	850.00	1,000.00
	Counsel				
17.		Salary	733.33	1,000.00	1,000.00
18.		Expenses	71.85	107.30	150.00
	Clerk				
19.		Salary	500.00	700.00	700.00
20.		Expenses	446.80	347.70	350.00
	Elections and Registrations				
21.		Salaries	246.66	200.00	400.00
22.		Expenses	1,108.85	802.10	1,800.00
	Planning Board				
23.		Expenses	123.26	368.49	500.00
	Town Hall				
24.		Salary	480.00	480.00	480.00
25.		Expenses	653.68	694.22	650.00
	Memorial Hall				
26.		Salary	360.00	480.00	480.00
27.		Expenses	1,859.02	2,519.16	2,000.00
28.		Special		332.26	500.00
29.		Painting			1,000.00
	TOTALS		17,798.14	21,081.71	24,187.00

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<b>PUBLIC SAFETY — 5.09% OF TOTAL</b>				
	Constable			
30.	Salary	35.00	35.00	35.00
	Police Chief			
31.	Salary	4,593.33	5,300.00	5,200.00
32.	Wages	2,829.80	3,266.85	3,900.00
33.	Expenses	2,618.90	2,640.41	2,695.00
34.	Ambulance		800.00	
35.	Car		1,684.05	
	Civil Defense			
36.	Expenses	84.84	103.43	100.00
	Fire			
37.	Salaries	2,180.10	2,219.10	3,500.00
38.	Expenses	7,237.53	7,844.56	8,805.00
39.	Truck		3,914.00	
	Building Inspector			
40.	Salary	466.66	500.00	500.00
41.	Expenses	175.00	200.00	200.00
	Board of Appeals			
42.	Expenses	208.27	382.91	450.00
	Wire Inspector			
43.	Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00
44.	Expenses	115.00	125.00	130.00
	Sealer of Weights and Measures			
45.	Salary	125.00	175.00	175.00
46.	Expenses	75.00	75.00	75.00
	Forestry			
47.	Expenses	1,266.21	1,420.95	1,500.00
	Moth			
48.	Expenses	1,118.33	1,166.41	1,200.00
	Dutch Elm Disease			
49.	Expenses	1,258.34	1,453.85	1,500.00
50.	New Trees	265.46	300.00	300.00
	Dog Officer			
51.	Salary	100.00	100.00	100.00
52.	Expenses	172.67	216.00	240.00
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>25,295.44</b>	<b>34,322.52</b>	<b>30,905.00</b>

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<b>HEALTH AND SANITATION — 1.33% OF TOTAL</b>				
	Board of Health			
54.	Salaries	253.35	320.00	320.00
55.	Expenses	3,240.25	3,079.00	3,500.00
	Dental Clinic			
56.	Expenses	1,145.22	1,079.15	1,500.00
	Community Health Program			
57.	Expenses	1,766.66	2,500.00	2,500.00
	Inspector of Animals			
58.	Salary	200.00	135.00	200.00
59.	Expenses	65.00	100.00	100.00
	Inspector of Slaughtering			
60.	Salary	83.33	32.00	50.00
	TOTALS	6,753.81	7,245.15	8,170.00

#### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT — 8.97% OF TOTAL**

61.	Surveyor Salary (from available department funds)	4,056.00	4,160.00	4,680.00
62.	Road Machinery Account	4,127.08	3,390.64	4,500.00
63.	Highway Expenses	5,001.94	6,497.67	6,500.00
64.	Chapter 81	4,950.00	4,950.00	5,875.00
65.	Chapter 81 State	9,075.00	9,075.00	9,075.00
66.	Chapter 90 Construction	1,487.99	2,500.00	2,500.00
67.	Chapter 90 State and County	1,819.72	7,500.00	7,500.00
68.	Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
69.	Chapter 90 State	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
70.	Chapter 718 Liberty Street		171.28	
71.	Snow Removal	12,389.12	11,003.77	10,000.00
72.	Storm Drains	1,032.33	949.45	1,000.00
73.	Street Lighting	4,000.00	4,800.00	5,000.00
	TOTALS	46,881.18	53,837.81	54,950.00



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## CHARITIES — 8.15% OF TOTAL

	Public Welfare			
74.	Salaries	800.00	800.00	800.00
75.	Expenses	68.64	62.99	200.00
76.	General Relief Aid	5,130.00	7,516.17	7,000.00
77.	Old Age Assistance	34,823.55	26,121.51	28,500.00
78.	Aid Dependent Children	5,852.91	6,428.35	10,000.00
79.	Disability Assistance	2,427.99	1,277.79	2,000.00
80.	Welfare District Administration	1,112.00	1,450.00	1,445.00
	TOTALS	50,215.09	43,656.81	49,945.00

## VETERANS SERVICES — 1.19% OF TOTAL

	Veterans' Agent			
81.	Salary	250.00	250.00	250.00
82.	Expenses	8.17		50.00
83.	Veterans' Aid	5,920.15	8,098.97	7,000.00
	TOTALS	6,178.32	8,348.97	7,300.00

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT — 59.2% OF TOTAL

84.	School			
84.	Salaries	89,083.21	111,627.36	114,215.00
85.	Expenses	67,304.65	57,968.19	31,262.00
86.	Supt. Out of State Travel	105.53		200.00
87.	Regional		104,083.66	215,761.51
88.	Vocational Education	852.71	1,534.57	1,500.00
	TOTALS	157,346.10	275,213.78	362,938.51

## LIBRARY DEPARTMENT — .64% OF TOTAL

89.	Salaries	1,776.67	1,586.00	1,900.00
90.	Expenses	3,086.91	3,010.87	2,000.00
	Plus Dog Tax Refund			876.97
	TOTALS	4,863.58	4,596.87	4,776.97

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<b>RECREATION — .31% OF TOTAL</b>				
	Park			
91.	Park	876.67	1,235.60	1,400.00
92.	Equipment			475.00
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>876.67</b>	<b>1,235.60</b>	<b>1,875.00</b>
<b>UNCLASSIFIED — 3.43% OF TOTAL</b>				
93.	Retirement Asssessment	4,841.99	6,260.31	5,454.70
94.	Memorial Day	398.08	402.51	425.00
95.	Printing Town Reports	1,014.11	1,056.00	1,100.00
96.	Insurance	5,569.82	4,918.47	5,950.00
97.	Motor Vehicle Liability Ins.	2,171.14	2,536.56	2,750.00
98.	Christmas Lighting	62.97	41.50	50.00
99.	Reserve Fund	1,687.98	1,262.89	2,000.00
100.	Group Insurance		570.08	550.00
101.	Blue Cross - Blue Shield		2,761.02	2,750.00
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>15,746.09</b>	<b>19,809.34</b>	<b>21,029.70</b>
<b>PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES</b>				
	Electric Light Department			
102.	Salaries	8,557.33	9,280.00	9,700.00
103.	Wages	16,940.63	18,740.06	20,000.00
104.	Energy	99,321.19	110,334.42	122,500.00
105.	Expenses	17,723.61	16,688.01	20,000.00
106.	Line Clearance	1,469.67	1,798.81	1,800.00
107.	Depreciation	8,174.70	8,915.95	9,400.00
108.	Emergency Fund			1,000.00
109.	Liberty Street Lights		500.00	
110.	Webb Street Lights		200.00	
111.	Car		2,000.00	
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>152,187.13</b>	<b>168,457.25</b>	<b>184,400.00</b>
<b>WATER DEPARTMENT — .65% OF TOTAL</b>				
112.	Salaries	300.00	300.00	300.00
113.	Commissioners Expenses	1,341.81*	113.25	200.00
114.	Maintenance		3,497.09	3,500.00
115.	Forest Street Special		3,973.51	
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,641.81</b>	<b>7,883.85</b>	<b>4,000.00</b>

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116.	Salaries	60.00	60.00	60.00
117.	Supt. of Burials Salary Cemetery	30.00	30.00	30.00
118.	Expenses	4,523.06	6,493.73	5,700.00
119.	Opening Graves	1,012.46	827.10	900.00
120.	New Section		425.00	
121.	Hot Top			500.00
	TOTALS	5,625.52	7,835.83	7,190.00
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST — 5.88% OF TOTAL				
122.	School Addition 1950 Loan	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
123.	School Addition 1956 Loan	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
134.	Fire-Highway Building Loan	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
125.	Fire Truck Loan		3,000.00	3,000.00
126.	Interest	7,176.14	8,577.38	8,000.00
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ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will amend the By-laws as adopted March 15, 1949, by adding to Part 2, Prudential Affairs and Internal Police, I, Paragraph 2: "Any person who enters upon the land of another with firearms, with intent to fire or discharge them thereon, without requesting and obtaining the specific permission of the owner or occupant of such land, or his agent, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10.00."

ARTICLE 19. On petition of the Selectmen, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00, said amount to be expended by the Board of Assessors for outside professional services to revalue the real estate assessments, and to authorize the Board of Assessors to execute a contract on behalf of the Town to accomplish the same.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of the Acts of 1959, Chapter 513 of the General Laws to increase individually to an amount not exceeding \$1,200.00 the annual amount of any retirement allowance payable to any employee or his dependent, which retirement allowance is now less than \$1,200.00, provided that such official or employee has been in the service of the Town for not less than 15 years.

To transact any other business that may lawfully come before this meeting.

You are hereby ordered to notify and warn said qualified voters to meet at the Town Hall, on Monday, March 21 next for the following purposes, viz: To choose by ballot the following Town Officers for the ensuing year: Moderator, Town Clerk, one Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, Highway Surveyor, Tree Warden, Constable, Superintendent of Burials, one Electric Light Commissioner for three years, two Members of the School Committee for three years, one Member of the Masconomet Regional School Committee for three years, two Trustees of Flint Public Library for three years, one Member of the Board of Water Commissioners for three years, one Member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years, one Member of the Planning Board for five years, Tax Collector, and one Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

The Polls will be open at 7:00 A.M. and shall be closed at 7:00 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at Memorial Hall, Post Office and Store at Howe's Station in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this sixth day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty.

A true copy. Attest:

JAMES W. WENTWORTH, Constable

WILBUR C. RUNDLETT, JR., Chairman

FRANK C. LeCOLST

MANUEL GILBOARD, Clerk

Selectmen of Middleton





# *Annual Report*

for the

## *Town of Middleton*

Massachusetts

**1959**





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## Town Officers Elected 1959

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### Moderator

Daniel J. Donovan

### Town Clerk

William T. Martin, Jr.

### Selectmen and Board of Health

Wilbur C. Rundlett, Jr., Chairman (1962)

Manuel Gilboard (1960)

Frank L. LeColst (1961)

### Board of Public Welfare

Leslie E. Merrifield, Chairman (1962)

Roger M. Peabody (1960)

Leyland A. Phillips (1961)

### Board of Assessors

Paul B. Wake, Chairman (1960)

Wilbur A. Witham (1962)

Ernest F. LeBeau (1961)

### Treasurer

Edward H. Leary (1962)

### Tax Collector

Harold E. Tyler

### Highway Surveyor

Allan G. Marshall

### Constable

James W. Wentworth

### School Committee

Eben L. Jewett, Chairman (1961)

Rosamond L. Bastable, (1961)

Henry F. Luscomb (1960)

George R. Clayton, Clerk (1962)

Henry N. Sawyer (1960)

**Electric Light Commissioners**

John Muzichuk, Chairman (1960)

Frank E. Dow, Clerk (1961)

J. Lansing English (1962)

**Cemetery Commissioners**

Richard N. Maxwell (1960)

Michael Lavorgna (1961)

Lawrence E. Tinkham, Jr. (1962)

**Superintendent of Burials**

Charles W. Baker

**Tree Warden**

James Donovan

**Planning Board**

Louis A. Barrett, Chairman (1964)

Henry N. Sawyer (1961)

R. Lionel Barrows (1962)

Frank P. Connors, Jr. (1960)

Gilbert E. Saunders (1963)

**Trustees Flint Public Library**

William H. Sanborn, Chairman (1960)

William T. Martin (1962)

Paul B. Wake (1962)

Thomas J. Oliver (1961)

Elmer O. Campbell, Jr. (1961)

Carl C. Jones (1960)

**Water Commissioners**

Benjamin K. Richardson (1960)

Roger M. Peabody (1961)

Donald A. Alyward (1962)

**Masconomet Regional District School Committee**

Robert T. Sperry (1962)

Richard E. Quinn (1960)

Rosamond L. Bastable (1961)

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**Town Officers Appointed 1959**

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**Registrars of Voters**

Lloyd H. Getchell, Chairman (1960)

Max J. Breau, Jr. (1962)

Frederick C. Jones (1961)

William T. Martin, Jr., Clerk (Ex-Officio)



**Zoning Appeal Board**

William H. Sanborn, Chairman (1964)

Frederick P. Daniels (1961)

Walter E. Clinton (1963)

Beaumont Hurd (1960)

Donald A. Aylward, Clerk (1962)

**Finance Committee**

Richard Cressy, Chairman (1960)

Hazen M. Richardson (1961)

John R. Wallen (1960)

E. Robin Jones (1962)

Bartholomew J. Whalen (1961)

**Chief of Police**

James W. Wentworth

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

Joseph F. Begg

**Inspector of Animals**

Joseph F. Begg

**Inspector of Slaughtering**

Joseph F. Begg

**Town Accountant**

Elmer O. Campbell (1960)

**Forest Fire Warden**

Harold F. Purdy

**Chief of Fire Department**

Harold F. Purdy

**Superintendent of Cemeteries**

Charles W. Baker

**Moth Superintendent**

James Donovan

TOWN OFFICERS

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**Custodian of Town Hall**

James H. Ogden

**Electric Light Manager**

Willis W. Esty

**Town Counsel**

Daniel J. Donovan

**Welfare Agent**

Phyllis R. Brown

**Building Inspector**

Wilbur C. Rundlett, Jr.

**Wire Inspector**

John W. Milbery

**Veterans Agent**

James H. Ogden

**Health Agent**Leyland A. Phillips

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**TRUSTEES****B. F. Emerson Fund**

Naumkeag Trust Company, Salem, Mass.

Elmer O. Campbell, Jr.

William H. Sanborn

Paul B. Wake

**Mansfield Fund**

Old Colony Trust Company, Boston, Mass.

**David Cummings Fund**

Board of Public Welfare

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**RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES**  
**Year Ending Dec. 31, 1959**

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**RECEIPTS**  
**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

**TAXES:**

**CURRENT YEAR**

Property	\$ 315,873.31
Poll	1,590.00
Farm Animal Excise	253.76
Lieu of Taxes	4,513.73

**PREVIOUS YEARS**

Property	14,766.39
Tax Title Redemption	699.34

**FROM THE STATE**

Income

Valuation Basis	10,193.50
Education Basis	31,177.82
Corporation	13,475.60

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392,543.45

**LICENSES AND PERMITS:**

Alcoholic Beverages	2,800.00
All Other	699.00
Building	483.50
Revolver	20.00

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4,002.50

**FINES:**

District Court	35.00
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35.00

**GRANTS AND GIFTS:**

**FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

Old Age Assistance	17,725.97
Aid Dependent Children	4,733.00
Disability Assistance	871.50
School Lunches	4,720.00
Other School Purposes	1,131.00

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29,181.47



## FROM STATE

Meal Tax	1,260.50
Vocational Education	430.10
High School Transportation	14,475.00
Adult Education	15.00
Retarded Children	3,063.61
School Building Aid	9,970.03
Highway (Chapter 81)	9,054.00
Inspection of Animals	25.00

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 38,293.24

## FROM COUNTY

Dog Licenses	860.85
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 860.85

## ALL OTHER GENERAL REVENUE

Sale Tax Possession Property	63.50
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 63.50

## PRIVILEGES

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	37,332.19
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 37,332.19

## DEPARTMENTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT

## EXECUTIVE:

Selectmen	68.50
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## FINANCIAL:

Treasurer	12.00
Collector	35.45

## OTHER DEPARTMENTS:

Clerk	23.00
Board of Appeals	51.00
Elections	10.00

## MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS:

Town Hall	88.00
Memorial Hall	1,023.00

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 1,310.95

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Police Ambulance	32.00
Fire	51.75
Sealing of Weights and Measures	176.40
Dog Officer	190.00

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 450.15
**HEALTH AND SANITATION:**

Tuberculosis Subsidy	82.86
Dental Clinics	19.00
Polio Clinics	332.43

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 434.29
**HIGHWAYS:**

Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,000.00
Snow and Sanding	585.00
Truck and Machinery Rental	4,362.60

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 5,947.60
**CHARITIES:****PUBLIC WELFARE**

From Cities and Towns	362.20
From State	102.65

**OLD AGE ASSISTANCE**

From Individual	4,335.65
From Cities and Towns	726.35
From State	17,460.03

**AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN**

From State	3,334.55
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**DISABILITY ASSISTANCE**

<b>From State</b>	<b>723.79</b>
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 27,045.22
**VETERANS' SERVICES:**

From State	1,033.55
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 1,033.55

## SCHOOLS:

Tuition	676.63
Sale of Supplies	248.55
Hall Rental	16.00
Lunches	12,922.35

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13,863.53

## PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES:

## ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

Sale of Light and Power	180,715.52
Miscellaneous	2,691.41

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183,406.93

## CEMETERIES:

Sale of Lots and Graves	220.00
Opening Graves	712.00
Care of Endowed Lots	895.90
Insurance — Damage	200.00

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2,027.90

## INTEREST:

On Deposits	43.50
On Deferred Taxes	728.30
Mansfield Fund	1,820.00

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2,591.80

## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:

Anticipation Revenue Loan	30,000.00
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30,000.00

## AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT:

Beverage Licenses	10.00
Dog Licenses	1,127.50
Perpetual Care Funds	1,955.00
Withholding Taxes State	1,770.08
Withholding Taxes Federal	25,511.01
Mass. Hospital Service	2,761.02
Group Insurance	559.08
Meter Deposits	675.00
Retirement Fund Deductions	4,038.48

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38,407.17

## REFUNDS:

General Departments

1,296.39

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1,296.39

## TRANSFERS:

Electric Depreciation Fund

8,915.95

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8,915.95

Total Receipts

819,043.63

Cash Balance January 1, 1959

121,856.79

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940,900.42

EXPENDITURES  
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

MODERATOR

Salary	50.00	50.00
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FINANCE COMMITTEE

Expenses	59.70	59.70
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SELECTMEN

Salaries	1,500.00	
Expenses		
Clerk	400.00	
Supplies and Printing	80.72	
Advertisements	44.50	
Postage	32.00	
Association Dues	34.00	
Flag and Flowers	130.28	
Mileage and Expenses	96.00	
	817.50	2,317.50

ACCOUNTANT

Salary	1,400.00	
Expenses	101.31	1,501.31

TREASURER

Salary	1,400.00	
Expenses		
Supplies	260.70	
Postage	189.20	
Mileage and Expenses	115.00	
Clerical Assistance	300.00	
Bank Charge	21.30	
Association Dues	5.00	
Certifying Notes	2.00	
Tax Title Expenses	342.00	
	1,235.20	2,635.20



## TAX COLLECTOR

Salary	1,800.00		
Clerk	720.00	2,520.00	
Expenses			
Supplies	315.57		
Postage	235.20		
Deputy Collector	42.00		
Mileage — Telephone	95.00		
Tax Taking	47.50		
Association Dues	5.00		
Office Equipment	576.50	1,316.77	3,836.77

## ASSESSORS

Salaries		1,800.00	
Expenses			
Supplies and Postage	148.24		
Abstracts	95.33		
Mileage — Expenses	87.00		
Clerical Services	425.00		
Office Expense	85.12		
Association Dues	9.00	849.69	2,649.69

## COUNSEL

Salary	1,000.00		
Expenses		107.30	1,107.30

## TOWN CLERK

Salary		700.00	
Expenses			
Supplies — Postage	302.70		
Clerical Services	30.00		
Association Dues	15.00		
Recording Deeds	23.00	370.70	1,090.70

## ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

Salaries		200.00	
Expenses			
Listing	250.00		
Election Officers	183.75		
Printing and Supplies	331.78		
Lunches	34.05		
Janitor — School Hall	13.50	813.08	1,013.08

## PLANNING BOARD

Expenses			
Clerk	63.00		
Supplies — Postage	152.80		
Advertisements	94.00		
Services — Engineer	43.69		
Association Dues	10.00	368.49	368.49

## TOWN HALL

Salary		480.00	
Expenses			
Fuel and Light	602.33		
Supplies	24.84		
Repairs	67.05	694.22	1,174.22

## MEMORIAL HALL

Salary		480.00	
Expenses			
Fuel and Light	1,811.08		
Supplies	369.48		
Telephone	103.53		
Repairs	567.33	2,851.42	3,331.42

Total General Government Expenditures	\$ 21,115.38
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## PUBLIC SAFETY

### CONSTABLE

Salary	35.00	35.00
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### POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### Salaries and Wages

James W. Wentworth, Chief	5,300.00		
Lloyd H. Getchell	1,608.60		
Harold Moore	871.50		
Arthur Doane	312.50		
Robert Hurd	230.00		
David DeTomaso	147.25		
Norman Welch	93.25		
William Pennock	3.75	8,566.85	

#### Expenses

Car and Radio Maintenance	2,156.81		
Office Expenses	350.82		
Supplies	12.23		
Equipment	107.55		
Dues and Expenses	13.00		
New Ambulance	800.00		
New Cruiser	1,684.05	5,124.46	13,691.31

### CIVIL DEFENSE

Expenses	103.43	103.43
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### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Salaries	2,319.10	
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#### Expenses

Labor	1,801.00		
Equipment and Repairs	2,092.96		
Gasoline and Oil	341.52		
Fuel and Light	1,209.97		
Building Maintenance	146.17		
Office Expenses — Telephone	455.31		
Fire Alarm	1,577.48		
Insurance	220.15		
Service Truck	3,914.00	11,758.56	14,077.66

## BUILDING INSPECTOR

Salary	500.00	
Expenses	200.00	700.00

## BOARD OF APPEALS

Expenses			
Clerk	166.09		
Advertisements	91.00		
Supplies — Postage	38.32		
Office Equipment	87.50	382.91	382.91

## WIRE INSPECTOR

Salary	300.00	
Expenses	125.00	425.00

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Salary	175.00	
Expenses	75.00	250.00

## FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

Wages	2,684.70	
Expenses		
Truck Maintenance	57.22	
Supplies	728.13	
Removing Trees	227.75	
Planting New Trees	300.00	
Equipment	338.41	
Association Dues	5.00	1,656.51
		4,341.21

## DOG OFFICER

Salary	100.00	
Expenses	216.00	316.00

Total Public Safety Expenditures		\$ 34,322.52
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## HEALTH AND SANITATION

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Salaries		320.00	
Expenses			
Care of Patients, Essex San	952.00		
Care of Patients, Other Hosp.	145.35		
Care of Dump	1,312.70		
Vital Statistics	218.00		
Polio and Virus Clinics	338.75		
Contagious Disease	16.00		
Supplies — Expenses	96.20	3,079.00	3,399.00

### DENTAL CLINIC

Expenses			
Services	1,011.00		
Supplies	68.15	1,079.15	1,079.15

### INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Salary	135.00		
Expenses	100.00		235.00

### INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Salary	32.00		32.00
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### ESSEX SANITORIUM ASSESSMENT

County Treasurer	3,486.81		3,486.81
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### COMMUNITY HEALTH PROGRAM

Community Services, Inc.	2,500.00		2,500.00
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Total Health and Sanitation Expenditures			\$ 10,731.96
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## HIGHWAYS

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### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Wages		16,001.30	
Expenses			
Truck Hire	3,918.80		
Equipment Hire	2,942.39		
Supplies	3,089.89		
Sand and Gravel	3,004.88		
Asphalt	3,586.51		
Signs	33.00		
Light and Power	106.37		
Office Expenses	165.92		
Equipment	476.53		
Blasting	170.20		
		17,494.49	33,495.79

### SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

Liberty Street	171.28		
Storm Drains	949.45		
Street Lighting	4,800.00	5,920.73	

### SNOW REMOVAL

Wages		3,907.65	
Expenses			
Truck Hire	2,704.50		
Equipment and Repairs	1,011.73		
Salt and Sand	3,352.32		
State Road	27.57	7,096.12	11,003.77

### ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Wages		219.72	
Expenses			
Gasoline and Oil	1,791.70		
Parts and Repairs	724.96		
Insurance and Registration	64.06		
Supplies	95.20		
Equipment	495.00	3,170.92	3,390.64
Total Highway Expenditures			\$ 53,810.93

CHARITIES

PUBLIC WELFARE

Salaries	800.00
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GENERAL RELIEF

Expenses			
Administration	62.99		
Aid — Cash	1,599.50		
Groceries and Fuel	1,856.45		
Medical Aid	487.91		
Other Cities and Towns	3,572.31	7,579.16	8,379.16

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Administration			1,450.00
Aid			
Cash	45,551.22		
Other Cities and Towns	1,686.31	47,237.53	47,237.53

AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Cash	10,354.32
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DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Cash	1,925.46
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Total Charities Expenditures	\$ 69,346.47
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**VETERANS' SERVICES**

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Salary		250.00
Aid		
Cash	7,043.00	
Fuel — Groceries	472.19	
Medical Aid	558.78	
Other Cities and Towns	25.00	
		8,098.97
Total Veterans Services Expenditures		<hr/> \$ 8,348.97

## SCHOOLS

### Salaries

Superintendent	7,062.89		
Teachers and Supervisors	91,122.94		
Doctor	600.00		
Nurse	1,250.00		
Janitors	7,627.75		
Attendance Officer	125.00		
Census Taker	95.60		
Clerk	3,743.18	111,627.36	

### Expenses

Superintendent	180.00		
Office	1,333.52		
Books and Supplies	5,437.83		
Building Maintenance	6,774.86		
Fuel and Light	6,386.13		
Transportation	16,032.00		
Tuition	20,038.24		
Furnishings — Equipment	709.00		
Teachers Courses	580.00		
TV Programs	124.00		
Testing	170.00		
Athletics	202.61	57,968.19	117,395.55

## SCHOOL LUNCH

Labor	3,554.00		
Equipment and Supplies	14,277.43	17,831.43	17,831.43

## REGIONAL SCHOOL

Assessment	104,083.66	104,083.66	
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## VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

### Expenses

Tuition	1,394.07		
Transportation	140.50	1,534.57	1,534.57

Total School Expenditures			\$293,045.21
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**LIBRARY**

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Salaries	1,586.00		
Expenses	3,010.87	4,596.87	
Total Library Expenditures			<hr/> \$ 4,596.87

**RECREATION**

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**PARK**

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Wages		848.80	
Expenses			
Supplies	135.50		
Spraying	24.00		
Storage	50.00		
Equipment Hire	144.50		
Signs	32.80	386.80	1,235.60

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTING**

Expenses		41.50	41.50
Total Recreation Expenditures			<hr/> \$ 1,277.10



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UNCLASSIFIED

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INSURANCE

Workmen's Compensation and		
Public Liability	2,077.88	
Buildings — Blanket Policy	2,272.50	
Vehicle — Fire and Theft	117.30	
Vehicle — Liability	2,419.26	
School — Liability	60.05	
Collector's Bond and Burglary	297.92	
Treasurer's Bond and Burglary	210.12	
Life and Hospital	6,580.52	14,035.55
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Memorial Day	402.51	
Printing Town Report	1,056.00	1,458.51

## MANSFIELD FUND

Concert	266.90	
Picnic	1,070.27	
Thanksgiving and Christmas	495.37	
Filing Report Fee	3.00	1,835.54

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Total Unclassified Expenditures	\$ 17,329.60
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PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

Salaries

Commissions	600.00	
Manager	5,830.00	
Clerk	2,850.00	9,280.00

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

Energy

Merrimack Essex		
Electric Co.	109,854.14	
Danvers Electric Dept.	480.28	110,334.42

Labor

18,740.06

Expenses

Material	12,310.67	
Office Expenses	1,908.34	
Truck Maintenance	1,313.84	
Insurance	1,155.76	
Depreciation	8,915.95	
Line Clearance	1,798.81	
Webb Street Lights	200.00	
Liberty Street Lights	500.00	
Service Car	2,000.00	30,103.37

Total Electric Department Expenditures \$168,457.85

WATER DEPARTMENT

Salaries Commissioners 300.00

Expenses

Office	113.25	
Supplies	3,497.09	
Forest St. Special	3,973.51	7,583.85

Total Water Department Expenditures \$ 7,883.85

Total Public Service Enterprises Expenditures \$176,341.70

CEMETERIES

Salaries			
Commissioners	60.00		
Supt. of Burials	30.00	90.00	
Wages		5,786.60	
Expenses			
Truck Hire	140.00		
Supplies	567.13		
Opening Graves	827.10		
New Section	425.00	1,959.23	
Total Cemetery Expenditures			\$ 7,835.83

## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

### BONDED DEBT

School Addition Loan 1950	10,000.00	
School Addition Loan 1956	10,000.00	
Fire-Highway Building Loan	5,000.00	
Fire Truck Loan	3,000.00	
Temporary Loan	30,000.00	58,000.00

### INTEREST

School Addition Loan 1950	1,890.00	
School Addition Loan 1956	5,760.00	
Fire-Highway Building Loan	281.25	
Fire Truck Loan	420.00	
Temporary Loan	226.13	8,577.38

Total Municipal Indebtedness Expenditures    \$ 66,577.38

## AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

State Parks and Reservations	1,447.42
County Tax	9,960.51
Dog Licenses to County	1,132.75
Withholding Tax Deductions State	1,742.77
Withholding Tax Deductions	
Federal	25,511.01
Retirement Fund Assessment	6,260.31
Retirement Fund Deductions	4,038.48
Meter Deposits	690.00
Beverage License	10.00
Perpetual Care Funds	1,955.00

52,748.25

52,748.25

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**REFUNDS**

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1958 Excise Tax	611.44	
1959 Excise Tax	1,485.45	
1959 Real Estate Tax	620.50	
1959 Poll Tax	4.00	
Departmental	33.00	2,753.30
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Total Refunds		2,753.30
Total Expenditures		820,181.47
Cash Balance December 31, 1959		120,718.95
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		\$940,900.42

**TRANSFERS FROM RESERVE FUND**

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Accountant's Expense	1.31	
Civil Defense Expense	3.43	
Town Report	6.00	
Group Insurance	11.00	
Town Hall Expenses	44.22	
Police Salaries	66.85	
Vocational Education	34.57	
Interest	77.38	
Memorial Hall Expenses	194.16	
Board of Appeals	225.00	
Veterans Aid	598.97	
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		1,262.89

## Recapitulation of Appropriations, Transfers and Expenditures

		Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Moderator, Salary		50.00	50.00	
Finance Committee, Expenses		100.00	59.70	40.30
Selectmen, Salaries		1,500.00	1,500.00	
Expenses		500.00	417.50	82.50
Clerk, Salary		400.00	400.00	
Accountant, Salary		1,400.00	1,400.00	
Expense	100.00			
Transfer	1.31	101.31	101.31	
Treasurer, Salary		1,400.00	1,400.00	
Expenses		900.00	899.20	.80
Tax Title Expenses		650.00	336.00	314.00
Collector, Salaries		2,520.00	2,520.00	
Expenses		790.50	740.27	50.23
Equipment		577.50	576.50	1.00
Assessors, Salaries		1,800.00	1,800.00	
Expenses		850.00	849.68	.31
Counsel, Salary		1,000.00	1,000.00	
Expenses		150.00	107.30	42.70
Clerk, Salary		700.00	700.00	
Expenses		350.00	347.70	2.30
Elections and Registrations				
Salaries		200.00	200.00	
Expenses		850.00	813.08	36.92
Planning Board				
Expenses		400.00	368.49	31.51
Town Hall, Salary		480.00	480.00	
Expenses	650.00			
Transfer	44.22	694.22	694.22	
Memorial Hall, Salary		480.00	480.00	
Expenses	2,325.00			
Transfer	194.16	2,519.16	2,519.16	
Special		350.00	332.26	17.74
Constable, Salary		35.00	35.00	



		Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Police, Chief Salary		5,300.00	5,300.00	
Wages	3,200.00			
Transfer	66.85	3,266.85	3,266.85	
Expenses		2,645.00	2,640.41	4.59
Car		1,700.00	1,684.05	15.95
Ambulance		800.00	800.00	
Civil Defense,				
Expenses		103.43	103.43	
Fire, Salaries		2,625.00	2,319.10	305.90
Expenses		8,280.00	7,844.56	435.44
Truck		4,000.00	3,914.00	86.00
Building Inspector,				
Salary		500.00	500.00	
Expenses		200.00	200.00	
Board of Appeals				
Expenses	200.00			
Transfer	225.00	425.00	382.91	42.09
Wire Inspector				
Salary		300.00	300.00	
Expenses		125.00	125.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures				
Salary		175.00	175.00	
Expenses		75.00	75.00	
Moth, Expenses		1,200.00	1,166.41	33.59
Tree Warden, Expenses		1,500.00	1,420.95	79.05
Dutch Elm Disease Control				
Expenses		1,500.00	1,453.85	46.15
Planting New Trees		300.00	300.00	
Dog Officer, Salary		100.00	100.00	
Expenses		240.00	216.00	24.00
Health, Expenses		3,250.00	3,079.00	171.00
Dental Clinic, Expenses		1,500.00	1,079.15	420.85
Community Health Program		2,500.00	2,500.00	
Animal Inspector, Salary		200.00	135.00	65.00
Expenses		100.00	100.00	
Slaughtering Inspector				
Salary		50.00	32.00	18.00
Road Machinery Fund				
Balance	1,601.02			
Receipts	4,362.60	5,963.62	3,390.64	2,572.98*
Highway, Expenses		6,500.00	6,497.67	2.33

		Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Chapter 81	4,950.00			
State	9,075.00	14,025.00	14,025.00	
Chapter 90 Construction		20,000.00	9,973.12	10,026.88*
Chapter 90 Maintenance		3,000.00	3,000.00	
Chapter 718 Mt. Vernet St.		6,622.74		6,622.74*
Chapter 718 Liberty St.		171.28	171.28	
Snow Removal		12,000.00	11,003.77	996.23
Storm Drains		1,000.00	949.45	50.55
Street Lighting		4,800.00	4,800.00	
Street Numbering		300.00		300.00*
Maple St. Speed Signs		400.00		400.00*
Parking Signs,				
Middleton Square		100.00		100.00*
Public Welfare, Salaries		800.00	800.00	
Expenses		200.00	62.99	137.01
General Relief, Aid		7,600.00	7,516.17	83.83
Central Essex Welfare				
District Adm.		1,450.00	1,450.00	
Old Age				
Assistance	26,500.00			
Refunds	216.70	26,716.70	26,121.51	595.19
Federal Grant		22,082.50	21,099.02	983.48*
Aid Dependent				
Children	7,000.00			
Refund	15.00	7,015.00	6,478.35	586.65
Federal Grant		5,613.68	3,925.97	1,687.71*
Assistance	2,000.00			
Refund	4.50	2,004.50	1,877.79	126.71
Federal Grant		1,075.20	647.67	427.53*
Veterans Agent,				
Salary		250.00	250.00	
Expenses		50.00		50.00
Veterans Aid	7,500.00			
Transfer	598.00	8,098.97	8,098.97	
School, Salaries		113,235.00	111,627.36	1,369.25
Expenses	57,725.00			
Transfer	238.39			
Refund	4.80	57,968.19	57,968.19	
Supt. out of State Travel		200.00		200.00
Regional School District		104,083.66	104,083.66	
Federal Grant		1,456.54	1,349.60	106.94*
Lunch		18,280.08	16,481.83	1,798.25*

		Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Vocational				
Education	1,500.00			
Transfer	34.57	1,534.57	1,534.57	
Library, Salaries		1,900.00	1,880.00	20.00
Expenses	2,860.85			
Transfer	300.00	3,160.85	3,010.87	149.98
Park, Expenses		1,400.00	1,235.60	164.40
Christmas Lighting		50.00	41.50	8.50
Retirement Assessment		6,260.31	6,260.31	
Memorial Day		425.00	402.51	22.49
Printing Town Reports		1,056.00	1,056.00	
Insurance	7,707.00			
Refund	33.01	7,740.01	4,918.47	346.54
Motor Vehicle Liability		2,550.00	2,536.56	13.44
Electric Salaries		9,280.00	9,280.00	
Wages		20,500.00	18,740.06	1,759.94
Energy		115,000.00	110,334.42	4,665.58
Expenses	20,000.00			
Refund	43.50	20,043.50	16,688.61	3,354.89
Line Clearance		1,800.00	1,798.81	1.19
Car		2,000.00	2,000.00	
Webb St. Lights		200.00	200.00	
Liberty St. Lights		500.00	500.00	
Depreciation		9,000.00	8,915.95	84.05
Reserve Fund		1,000.00		1,000.00
Water, Salaries		300.00	300.00	
Expenses		200.00	113.25	86.75
Maintenance		3,500.00	3,497.09	2.91
Forest St. Special		4,000.00	3,473.51	26.49
Cemetery, Salaries		90.00	90.00	
Expenses	5,600.00			
Income	895.90	6,495.90	6,493.73	2.17
Graves		900.00	827.10	72.90
New Section		425.00	425.00	
Municipal Indebtedness				
Loans		28,000.00	28,000.00	
Interest	8,500.00			
Transfer	77.38	8,577.38	8,577.38	
Temporary Loan		30,000.00	30,000.00	

\* Balances carried forward



*Balance  
Sheet  
1959*



BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1959—GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash	\$120,718.95	Lands Low Value Fund	\$ 84.84
Petty Cash Advance	260.00	Lots and Graves Fund	920.00
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		Ambulance Fund	40.80
Taxes—1959		Road Machinery Fund	2,572.98
Poll	32.00	Mansfield Fund Interest	1,503.26
Personal Property	292.50	Electric Department	
Real Estate	14,641.09	Meter Deposits	985.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	9,785.94	Depreciation Fund	27,363.16
Farm Animal Excise	39.24	Surplus	32,625.67
TAX TITLE POSSESSIONS		Appropriation Balances	
Tax Titles	6,444.31	Non-Revenue Balances	
Tax Possessions	2,824.89	School Addition	402.01
DEPARTMENTAL		Fire-Highway Building	1,983.32
Public Welfare	1,125.20	Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	908.89
Old Age Assistance	490.79	1959 Overlay	2,371.51
Aid Dependent Children	1,111.12	Reserved for Petty Cash Advance	3,280.40
Public Health	444.29	Tailings (Uncashed checks)	260.00
MUNICIPAL LIGHT		Old Age Assistance Recovery	194.00
Rates	11,724.26	Revenue Reserved until Collected	3,130.53
Miscellaneous	367.41	Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	
AID TO HIGHWAYS		Farm Animal Excise Tax	9,785.94
County	5,000.00	Departmental	39.24
State	17,032.37	Tax Titles	3,171.40
Deficit		Municipal Light	9,269.20
1958 Overlay	12.90	Aid to Highways	12,091.67
		Overestimates	22,032.37
		State Parks and Reservations	56,389.82
		County Tax	141.45
		Mosquito Control	175.60
		Surplus Revenue	2,306.00
			2,623.05
			35,534.89
			<u>\$192,347.26</u>
			<u>\$192,347.26</u>



# BALANCE SHEET — DEBT AND TRUST ACCOUNTS

## DEBT ACCOUNTS

### ASSETS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt

\$267,000.00

### LIABILITIES

School Addition (1950)

\$ 98,000.00

School Addition (1956)

150,000.00

Fire Highway Building

10,000.00

Fire Truck

9,000.00

\$267,000.00

\$267,000.00

## TRUST FUNDS

### TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS

In custody of Town Treasurer

\$ 44,770.09

In custody of Library Trustees

8,842.70

In custody of Naumkeag Trust Co.

10,108.60

David Cummings Fund

\$ 6,797.75

Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund

37,972.34

Charles L. Flint Library Fund

5,784.97

Mary E. Emerson Library Fund

3,057.73

B. F. Emerson Library Fund

10,108.60

\$ 63,721.39

\$ 63,721.39

## PAYROLL ANALYSIS

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

	Labor	Truck
Charles Baker	49.60	
Leopold Blais	3,753.00	
Opal Blais		1,652.50
Max Breau	19.60	
George Cassidy	135.10	
Raymond Colby	4,316.50	
David Currier	17.05	
James Donovan	2,215.00	
Robert Fuller	4,121.25	
Alton Goodale	47.45	
Raymond Gould		120.00
John Hocter	94.55	
William Hocter	64.55	
William Hayward	14.00	
George Kimball	2.80	
Ted Klosowski		1,049.00
Raymond LeColst	34.10	
Douglas Macmillan	18.60	
Allan Marshall	4,176.00	
Chester Masse, Jr.	15.40	
Harold Moore	34.00	
Fred Nelson		6.00
James Ogden	65.80	
William Ogden	34.40	
Robert Page	23.80	
Foster Pickard	1,154.85	
Charles Phaneuf	399.90	
Charles Prescott	12.60	
Floyd Pearson	26.60	
Edward Richardson	702.40	
Charles Rubchinuk		27.00
Robert Saulinier	4.65	
Gordon Sheldon		872.70
Norman Welch	34.00	

## ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

Charles Clinch, Jr.	4,918.31
Raymond Colby	12.40
James Donovan	106.40
Donald Osgood	12.40
Carl Peterson	3,930.03
Foster Pickard	547.20
Joseph Pickard	4,668.76
Edward Richardson	477.40
Wilbur Witham	4,758.76

## FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

Charles Clinch, III	111.60
Raymond Colby	123.90
James Donovan	305.10
George Kimball	6.20
Donald Osgood	16.20
Foster Pickard	920.80
Edward Richardson	969.45

## CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Charles Baker	2,958.80	160.00
Clarence Baker	10.00	
Alexander Brunet	345.00	
Vernon Coffin	95.00	
Ralph Currier	766.00	
David Miller	752.50	
Allie Paige	1,422.00	
James Peart	355.00	
Frank Sullivan	255.00	

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Edward H. Leary, Treasurer in account with the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts.

Balance of cash in treasury, January 1, 1959	\$121,856.79
Receipts for the year 1959	819,043.63
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Total Receipts	\$940,900.42
Payments for the year 1959	\$820,181.47
Balance of cash in treasury December 31, 1959	120,718.95
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Total	\$940,900.42

### CASH IN BANKS

Arlington Trust Company, Middleton, Mass.	\$106,694.62
Merchants Warren National Bank, Salem, Mass.	11,797.81
Arlington Trust Company Savings, Middleton, Mass.	2,226.52
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Total Cash	\$120,718.95

A complete report of all Trust Funds in custody is shown on the following pages.

For the co-operation and support of the Town Officers, Committees and Citizens, I wish to express my thanks and gratitude.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. LEARY,

Town Treasurer

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**DAVID CUMMINGS FUND**

Balance January 1, 1959	\$ 5,747.18
United Shoe Machinery Corp.	975.00
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Net Worth	\$6,722.18

**RECEIPTS:**

U.S.M.C. Dividends	\$ 107.27	
Arlington Trust Co. Interest	188.15	
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Total Receipts		\$ 295.42
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Total Income		\$ 7,017.60
Less Trustee's Orders		219.85
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Adj. Total Income		\$ 6,797.75
Arlington Trust Company, Checking Account		\$ 111.31
Arlington Trust Company, Savings Account		5,711.44
United Shoe Machinery Corp. Shares		975.00
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		\$ 6,797.75

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. LEARY,

Town Treasurer

## Land Owned By the Town of Middleton

December 31, 1959

### HASWELL PARK:

Lots 134-135, 138-139, 146, 147, 152, 153, 155, 165, 166, 286-290 inclusive.

### MIDDLETON PINES:

Lots 2, 3, 4, 351-355 incl. 456, 504-505, 532-535, incl.

### RECREATION PARK:

1st lot of 9th parcel—Book 2253, Page 381

14th parcel—Book 2253, Page 381

2nd pasture, Woodland and Meadow

Elliott Lot, Island Pasture, Smith Lot, Sutton Lot

Lots G & H, Lots 61-68 incl. 69, 70, 128-130 incl. 231-236 incl.

### SUMMIT VIEW PARK:

Lots 28, 30-34 incl. 35, 36, 51, 57, 58, 91-93 incl. 94-97 incl. 136-148 incl. 149, 40, 151, 153-156 incl. 157-163 incl. 164-169, incl., 212, 213, 215-218 incl., 219-221 incl., 238, 239, 242-251 incl., 257-270 incl., 279-285 incl., 288-301 incl., 307, 308, 311-318 incl., 326-337 incl., 376, 378-382 incl., 385-398 incl., 322, 323, 324.

### WOODLAND PARK:

Lots 107, 108, 109-112 incl., 113-117 incl., 135-138 incl., 332, 523, 576.

### MISCELLANEOUS:

G. A. Fuller, Meadow, 14 Acres (Cranberry Bog)

Joseph Whittier Estate, Woodland (Approx. 8 Acres)

EDWARD H. LEARY,

Town Treasurer



Town of Middleton  
CEMETERY ENDOWMENT ACCOUNTS

	Balance 1958	New Accts. added	Interest	With- drawals	Balance 1959
Individual					
Accounts	\$34,807.55	\$1,700.00	\$881.88	\$895.90	\$36,493.53
Sec. C.					
Oakdale Cem.	1,180.72	255.00	43.09		1,478.81
Totals	\$35,988.27	\$1,955.00	\$924.97	\$895.90	\$37,972.34



*Reports*

of the

*Various Departments*  
*1959*



# FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY

## Treasurer's Report

Appropriation for Salaries	\$ 1,900.00	
Add—Refund	6.00	
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Total	1,906.00	
Less—Transfer to Expenses	3.00	\$ 1,606.00
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Salaries:		
Librarian	\$ 900.00	
Assistants to Librarian	686.00	
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Total Salaries		1,586.00
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Balance, Returned to Revenue		\$ 20.00
Appropriation for Expenses	\$ 2,000.00	
Add—Dog Tax	860.85	
Transfer from Salaries	300.00	
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Total		\$ 3,160.85
Expenses:		
Fuel	\$ 414.06	
Light	91.96	
Water	20.00	
Insurance	597.28	
Building Maintenance	500.94	
Equipment	414.45	
Supplies	51.51	
Janitor Services	480.00	
Books	34.87	
Miscellaneous	405.80	
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Total Expenses		\$ 3,010.87
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Balance, Returned to Revenue		149.98

### B. F. EMERSON TRUST FUND

Received from Naumkeag Trust Co., Salem (Trustee)	\$ 473.98
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### MARY ESTEY EMERSON FUND

E. O. Campbell, Jr., in account with Flint Public Library:

Mary Estey Emerson Fund, principal	\$ 2,500.00
Cash on Deposit in Danvers Savings Bank, Dec. 31, 1959	\$ 3,057.73

### FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY FUNDS

Balance, Jan. 1, 1959 \$ 1,048.96

Income:

Book Fines	\$ 180.00	
B. F. Emerson Fund	473.98	
Charles L. Flint Fund	193.34	
Mary Estey Emerson Fund	107.00	
Miscellaneous	8.25	\$ 962.57

Total Income \$ 2,011.53

Expenses:

New Books	\$ 806.92
Magazines	119.51
Miscellaneous	11.56

Total Expenses 937.99

Balance, Dec. 31, 1959 \$ 1,073.54

### CHARLES L. FLINT FUND

E. O. Campbell, Jr., in account with Flint Public Library:

Charles L. Flint Fund, principal	\$ 5,000.00
Cash on Deposit in Banks, Dec. 31, 1959:	
Salem 5c Savings Bank	\$ 986.88
Salem Savings Bank	510.73
Danvers Savings Bank	1,420.40
Broadway Savings Bank	1,866.96
Essex Savings Bank	1,000.00

Total \$ 5,784.97

Respectfully submitted,

E. O. CAMPBELL, JR.,  
Treasurer Library Trustees



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## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

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The Flint Public Library is open two days a week

Tuesday            2:00 to 9:00

Friday             2:00 to 9:00

The clock in the library tower, presented to the town by Mr. George Fuller in 1891, has given good service until the last few years when it has needed frequent and expensive repairs. This fall, when there was more than the usual difficulty in starting it, the Trustees, made aware that many depended on it, decided it would be more economical to install an electric clock. Although this does not strike the hour, it should keep better time and run in stormy as well as fair weather. A new but smaller table, similar to the one in the Trustees room, was purchased for the balcony. The metal circular staircase leading to the balcony, long considered a hazard, has been removed.

There was an increase in the number of books circulated this year. There was a marked increase in the amount of reference work after the Masconomet Regional School opened in September. Considering that we have attempted to meet the varying requirements of two new staffs of teachers in the past three years, our present collection of books plus a useful file of back numbers of magazines have met this need better than was expected. It is evident, however, that new titles in many fields must be purchased so that the library may more adequately supplement the work of the excellent and fast growing regional school library. The library intends to meet this need as soon as our limited budget allows without decreasing the service to other readers using the library.

The Bookmobile from the State Regional Library in North Reading has called at the Library every four weeks with a collection of books from which the librarian has selected titles other than those purchased. This has given the people of all ages a much wider choice of novels and books on various subjects than any small library could possibly buy. The Regional Library has grown in the past year and has been able to fill most requests for specific titles or subjects made by our borrowers. It is felt that the service could be even more useful if more suggestions were made known to the librarian.

The many books and magazines that have been presented to the library have been greatly appreciated and many have proved useful in the work with the high school pupils.

Mrs. Katherine Fairbanks resigned in June after almost five years of excellent service. Judith Smith, with experience as a substitute, served as full time assistant during the summer. In September the Library was fortunate to have Mrs. Minnie C. Waitt join the staff as assistant librarian.

### ANNUAL STATISTICS

Volumes in the Library, January 1, 1959	.	.	.	.	12,927
Volumes added by purchase	.	.	.	.	377
Volumes added by gift	.	.	.	.	67
Volumes reported discarded	.	.	.	.	136
Volumes in the Library, December 31, 1959	.	.	.	.	13,185

### Circulation of books 1959

Juvenile	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4,818
Adult	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5,440
Total	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	10,258
Increase over 1958	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	894
Registration of new borrowers	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	98
Attendance	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6,493

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH TYLER,

Librarian

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

To the Citizens of Middleton:

The Board of Selectmen respectfully submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1959.

Regular meetings of this Board have been held every Tuesday at 8 P.M. in Memorial Hall.

In its capacity as a Board of Selectmen, Board of Health and Licensing Authority, the Board has had a busy and productive year.

The Board, with the cooperation of the Park Department, was successful in making several improvements at the East Street swimming area this year. Beach sand was obtained from the Town of Ipswich and delivered here by the Highway Department. A very satisfactory improvement was made to the delight of the Middleton residents in that area.

The Board plans to make a survey of the sewer conditions in and around Middleton Square and has placed an Article for \$4,000.00 for that purpose in the Annual Town Warrant. The area around Middleton Square has become crowded with new homes, stores, etc. to the extent that a serious sewage disposal problem exists. With the increase in building in the foreseeable future a serious need for ample sewerage treatment is a deep concern of the Board at this time, and we urge passage of this additional expense.

We would like to thank Paul Zollo, Representative, and the many citizens of Middleton for their splendid support given this Board in opposing the proposed new County Jail. Through your sincere efforts and determination, it appears the bill may have been passed-over again.

We would like to show our appreciation for the very able assistance given us by our Town Counsel, Daniel Donovan, during the year 1959.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its sincere good wishes to those responsible for their efforts in providing Middleton with an increase in Industrial Property at the South Middleton Plant of the B. B. Chemical Company.

The Board wishes to express its deep appreciation for the assistance, cooperation and devotion to public service given so generously by the department heads, by the members, officers and citizens of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Wilbur C. Rundlett, Jr., Chairman  
Manuel Gilboard, Clerk  
Frank T. LeColst



## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

I submit for your approval my Report of Vital Statistics Recorded, Dog Taxes collected and Fish and Game Licenses issued in the year 1959.

Any errors or omissions should be noted and promptly reported to the Town Clerk that the Record may be corrected.

### Marriage Record For 1959

Date	Place of Marriage	Names of Bride and Groom	Residence
Jan. 1	Middleton	John William Fitzpatrick Ann Lawrie Aylward	Middleton Middleton
Feb. 8	Lynnfield	Wayne L. Davis Linda L. Brissette	Middleton Lynnfield Ctr.
Feb. 8	Middleton	Joseph Mario Fano Jane Louise Phaneuf	North Reading Middleton
Mar. 8	Amesbury	John Alfred McLean Sandra June Brown	Middleton Middleton
Mar. 22	Lynn	Donald Robert Osgood Janice Joan Hodsdon	Middleton Lynn
Mar. 21	Danvers	Charles Arthur Roberts Patricia Mae Rowell	Middleton Middleton
Mar. 29	Malden	Edwin Louis Shuman Shirley Ruth Gilboard	Old Or. B'ch, Me. Middleton
May 3	Lynn	William C. Pennock Jeannette A. Favreau	Middleton Lynn
Apr. 25	Derry, N.H.	Richard Norman Merchant Judith Lynne Clarke	Peabody Middleton
May 9	Middleton	Lionel Ferdinand Bouchard Johanna C. M. Vermeulen	Middleton Middleton
May 10	Haverhill	Allan Edgar Webber Marilyn Grace Paine	Middleton Middleton
May 15	No. Reading	John Wesley Milbery Alice Diane Wheeler	Middleton North Reading
May 17	Middleton	Stephen Allen Richardson Dale Mary Vasey	Middleton Middleton
May 23	Hopedale	Elwood Scott Roberts Frances Elizabeth Fogan	Middleton Hopedale
June 13	Middleton	Paul Joseph Sherba Pauline Sonia Bouchard	Revere Middleton

Date	Place of Marriage	Names of Bride and Groom	Residence
June 28	Middleton	Richard Francis Prendible Alice Lorraine Belle	Peabody Middleton
June 27	Middleton	David Roy Gallant Patricia Marie Sliney	Exeter, N.H. Middleton
June 27	Middleton	Benjamin Woods Larabee Linda Carol Prichard	Cambridge Nashua, N.H.
July 25	Middleton	Robert Baylis Palmer Jane Graham Shaw	Hampstead, N.Y. Middleton
July 26	Beverly	Donald Edward Colbert Alice Edith Dion	Middleton Beverly
July 22	Middleton	Robert Granville Lee Ethel Elizabeth Mack	Middleton Middleton
Aug. 8	Middleton	Clifton Lee Havener, Jr. Cathie Wilda Oliver	Tuckahoe, N.Y. Middleton
Aug. 16	Middleton	Lyle Eugene Christensen Lorraine Ticehurst	Danvers Middleton
Aug. 8	Middleton	Wayne John Tinkham Eileen Gertrude Cotter	Newbury Middleton
Aug. 23	Reading	Alan Bruce Wise Marcia Ann Eastman	Middleton Reading
Aug. 29	No. Reading	Bruce Ervin Durning Lois Elane Kilgore	North Reading Middleton
Aug. 8	Middleton	David G. Ouimette Joyce M. Cassidy	Danvers Danvers
Aug. 29	Middleton	Curtis L. Thompson Joanne M. Letourneau	Danvers Danvers
Sept. 19	Middleton	Herbert Alston Cushing Ethel Maude Fuller	Portland, Maine Middleton
Sept. 12	Middleton	Robert J. Supino Glenda E. Birnie	Danvers Danvers
Sept. 26	Danvers	Richard Rogers Patricia Agnes Powers	Middleton Danvers
Oct. 5	Lynn	Duncan Livingston Barbara Jane Mansfield	Middleton Middleton
Oct. 18	Middleton	Philip James Horgan, Jr. Mary Ellen Burgess	Saugus Middleton
Oct. 24	Middleton	Edwin S. Ogiba Shirley R. Ferry	Ipswich Middleton
Nov. 1	Hamilton	David Francis Bishop Doreen Mae Cochrane	Middleton Hamilton
Nov. 13	No. Reading	Eberhart Kurt Altman Gertrude Ann Craven	Wakefield Middleton

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Date	Place of Marriage	Names of Bride and Groom	Residence
Nov. 21	Lynn	John Joseph Chalupowski	Salem
		Alta Olive Chute	Middleton
Nov. 26	Middleton	William Richard Hayward	Middleton
		Beverly Jane Mann	Middleton
Nov. 22	Danvers	Thomas Wayne White	Middleton
		Patricia Jeanne Nadeau	Danvers
Dec. 4	Salem	Frederick Harry Erwin	Salem
		Shirley Louise Gould	Middleton
Dec. 28	Danvers	Gerald Joseph LeBlanc	Salem
		Diane Ruth Rubchinuk	Middleton
Dec. 22	Middleton	Victor Stanley Trudel	Middleton
		Patricia Anne Rideout	Danvers

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## Birth Record For 1959

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Date of Birth	Name of Child	Names of Parents
Jan. 14	Wayne Maurice Bouchard	Armand Robert Bouchard Ruth Irene Townsend
Jan. 15	Gloria Alicia Covarrubias	Rafael S. Covarrubias Esther T. Perez
Jan. 15	Joan Marie Flynn	Louis Phillip Flynn Margaret Marie Comeau
Jan. 16	Sally Jean Goodale	Paul W. Goodale Elva P. Veinotte
Feb. 4	Daniel Bruce Ladd	David Belcher Ladd Rose Kathleen Owens
Feb. 11	John Joseph Sanborn	Richard W. Sanborn Barbara J. Burgess
Feb. 15	Laura Mae Hackett	Gordon W. Hackett Grace E. Jennison
Feb. 23	Sally Ann Dunn	Robert A. Dunn Barbara M. Whitcomb
Mar. 5	Michael Anthony Almeida	Anthony Joseph Almeida Gail Kilgore
Mar. 7	Dwight Lincoln Miller	Albert Lincoln Miller Marjorie C. Lovering
Mar. 10	Debbie Irene LeBlanc	Louis Joseph LeBlanc Irene Anita LeBlanc



Date of Birth	Name of Child	Names of Parents
Mar. 13	Kevin James Leary	Edward A. Leary Jacqueline R. A. Boucher
Mar. 14	John Walter Mendalka, Jr.	John Walter Mendalka Patricia Anna Mallatt
Mar. 27	Allan Alvin Margeson	Edward Alvin Margeson Evelyn Mary Spencer
Mar. 28	Valerie Jo Shuman	Karl A. Shuman Pauline E. Young
Mar. 31	Kathleen Baldasaro	Norman Francis Baldasaro Renette Sampson
Apr. 1	Glen Walter Cosman	Walter Joseph Cosman Patricia Elaine Edgett
Apr. 8	"Baby Boy" Dame	Bruce Winston Dame Helen Jacqueline Wiley
Apr. 13	Debra Anne Hamilton	Stanley Thomas Hamilton Mary Ethel Linnehan
Apr. 22	"Baby Girl" Ogden	Robert Edward Ogden Nancy Ann Tipert
Apr. 24	Cynthia Jane Cooper	George H. Cooper Florence Gray
Apr. 24	Daniel Peter Karonis	Joseph L. Karonis Annette L. Proulx
Apr. 27	John Joseph Farley	George Michael Farley Teresa Coady
Apr. 28	Bartholomew C. Peterson	Jan C. Peterson Christine A. Goodale
May 7	Kris Anne Kimball	George C. Kimball Patricia A. Pellicelli
May 11	Paul Muzichuk	John Muzichuk, Sr. Nellie Janet Blezinski
May 12	Christopher Lee Hoosick	Frederick Lee Hoosick Caroline Thelma Maylum
May 14	Julie Lyn Porteous	Robert Neil Porteous Helen Elaine Dobson
May 21	Unise Ann Horton	Joseph F. J. Horton Dorothy I. Harrigan
June 4	Timothy Michael White	Richard J. White Carolyn E. Hughes
June 6	"Baby Boy" Gould	Leo J. Gould Louise Gray
June 12	Steven Kelley	Robert E. Kelley Rita C. McGilloway

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Names of Parents
June 19	Lori Janet Duclow	Robert E. Duclow Jean L. Doucette
June 23	Vincent Paul Cassidy	George Joseph Cassidy Louise Mary Nelson
June 23	John Bryant Meyer	John Edwin Meyer Jean Ann Bryant
June 24	Melissa Gail Clarke	Norman Arthur Clarke Phyllis Elaine Perkins
June 26	Marie Edna Fleury	Joseph William Fleury Lorraine Helen Deroiser
June 28	Patricia Frances Ferreira	Joseph Ferreira Dorothy Anna Farnsworth
July 4	Scott Herbert Caswell	Herbert E. Caswell Marjorie Connor
July 13	Lori Ann Jones	Earl Frederick Jones, Jr. Janet Arlene Crosby
July 21	Carol Boltrushek	Nickolas Boltrushek Mary Muzichuk
July 24	Philip Daniel Sedler	Daniel Sedler Janice M. Huber
July 26	Christine Mary Fano	Joseph Mario Fano Jane Louise Phaneuf
July 27	Janice Gail Chuluda	Leo James Chuluda Marion Lenore Milutis
Aug. 10	Linnea Elaine Guimond	Richard Don Guimond Elaine May Hammar
Aug. 13	Mark Shuman	Edwin Shuman Shirley R. Gilboard
Aug. 15	Brian Edward Wright	Edw. Walter W. Wright Mary E. McCormick
Aug. 15	Janice Marie Phaneuf	John Joseph Phaneuf Carmen Marie Brochu
Aug. 16	Lawrie Jane Fitzpatrick	John William Fitzpatrick Ann Lawrie Aylward
Aug. 18	James Michael Patten	Irving Mason Patten Agnes Loretta Roddy
Aug. 19	Kimberly Mark McKenney	Norman Falker McKenney Norma Louise Libby
Aug. 20	Laura Ann Jordan	Robert B. Jordan, Sr. Patricia Mary Collins
Aug. 21	Mary Ellen Sullivan	Thomas Francis Sullivan Sophie Barbara Gill

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Names of Parents
Aug. 21	Brenda Lee Harris	Ernest Hartly Harris Pamela Elizabeth Sibley
Aug. 28	Barbara Jean Jones	William Henry Jones, Jr. Constance Grace Juneau
Sept. 4	"Baby Girl" Anderson	Robert Anderson Phyllis Weeden
Sept. 5	Shirley Mae Watson	Charles C. Watson Alma E. Pitman
Sept. 9	Lance Ross Hooper	Ronald W. Hooper Catherine G. Thorpe
Sept. 11	Leslie Ann Nally	Richard J. Nally, Jr. Lois Gustafson
Sept. 14	Cindy Lee Hughes	Arthur Winfield Hughes Lois Ann Fournier
Sept. 22	Timothy John Comstock	James J. Comstock, Jr. Dorothy F. Brown
Sept. 28	Nancy Theresa Jalbert	George A. Jalbert Normande S. Laine
Oct. 8	Amy Sague Bender	Stephen L. Bender Patricia S. Miller
Oct. 15	Janet Maureen Whitmore	Benjamin F. Whitmore Blanche E. Graglia
Oct. 22	Wayne Scott Ashley	Richard W. Ashley Irene J. Yonge
Nov. 4	Scott Martin Burden	Martin J. Burden Shirley M. Schod
Nov. 5	Wayne Arthur Coulombe	Edwin A. Coulombe Laura M. Korys
Nov. 9	Steven Robert Crosby	Robert W. Crosby Natalie C. Russell
Nov. 15	Rosemarie Ann Hawkes	Robert A. Hawkes Mary Ann Long
Nov. 19	Sonja Elizabeth Nathan	Norman Irving Nathan Norma Edith Barrett
Nov. 21	Ellen Richards	Alfred Ernest Richards Esther Margaret Hilton
Dec. 21	Gary Leonard Kupreance	Leonard W. Kupreance Winifred M. Tobias
Dec. 22	William Joseph Hurd	Benjamin W. Hurd Virginia A. Kuzia
Dec. 27	Sean Thomas O'Meara	William Francis O'Meara Norma Marie Malagodi

1958 Births Recorded In 1959

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Names of Parents
Feb. 8	Stephen Craig Allen	Alvin Raymond Allen Dorothy Mary Mazzone
Nov. 19	Darlene Patricia Bliss	Kenneth S. Bliss Valerie Kennedy
Nov. 22	William Andrew Martinuk, Jr.	William Andrew Martinuk Kathryn N. Drinkwater
Nov. 22	John Raymond Coombe, III	John Raymond Coombe, Jr. Kathleen Marie Jennings
Nov. 29	Juliette Irene Masse	Roland D. Masse Irene V. Aho
Dec. 29	"Baby Boy" Blais	Leopold Simeon Blais Opal Carrie Yertea
Dec. 26	Lois Catherine Langis	Raymond C. Langis Sally F. Alexander
Oct. 3	"Baby Girl" Bohaczyk	Frank Joseph Bohaczyk Ruth Teresa Morgan

Record of Resident Deaths For 1959

Date	Name of Deceased	Age
Jan. 25	William C. Witherell .....	82 years
Mar. 27	William James Carroll .....	56 years
Mar. 16	Stanley W. Hinds .....	82 years
Apr. 23	Daniel Hagan .....	68 years
May. 1	Dell M. Greeke .....	63 years
June 27	Aubrey Crocker Appleton .....	73 years
July 14	Marjorie Richardson .....	60 years
Aug. 26	William J. McCormick .....	85 years
Sept. 4	Susie Holland .....	82 years
Sept. 28	Lee MacWilliams .....	29 years
Sept. 3	Arthur B. Purdy .....	74 years
Oct. 18	Perry F. Lohnes .....	54 years
Oct. 22	Grace M. Lee .....	87 years
Dec. 6	Julia C. Wright .....	63 years
Dec. 27	Mary Anne Gould .....	66 years
Dec. 29	Earle F. Duclow .....	58 years

38 Non-Resident deaths.

Any errors or omissions should be noted and promptly reported to the Town Clerk.



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## Hunting and Fishing Licenses Issued For 1959

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143 Resident Citizen	.	.	.	.	.	.	Fishing
149 Resident Citizen	.	.	.	.	.	.	Hunting
54 Resident Citizen	.	.	.	.	.	.	Sporting
35 Resident Citizen Minor	.	.	.	.	.	.	Fishing
17 Resident Citizen Female	.	.	.	.	.	.	Fishing
2 Resident Citizen	.	.	.	.	.	.	Trapping
1 Special Non-Resident	.	.	.	.	.	.	Fishing
2 Non-Resident Citizen	.	.	.	.	.	.	Fishing
1 Duplicate of Lost License	.	.	.	.	.	.	
7 Resident Citizen (70 Years or Older)	.	.	.	.	.	.	Sporting
3 Resident Citizen — to the Blind or Old Age Assistance	.	.	.	.	.	.	Fishing

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## Dog Taxes Collected For 1959

253 Male Dogs at \$2.00	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$ 506.00
69 Female Dogs at \$5.00	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	345.00
121 Spade Female Dogs at \$2.00	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	242.00
10 Kennel at \$10.00	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	100.00
2 Kennell at \$25.00	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	50.00
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								\$1,243.00
							Less Fees Deducted	113.75
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								\$1,129.25

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T. MARTIN, JR.

Town Clerk

## LIST OF JURORS

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Mr. Charles H. Metcalf  
Assistant Clerk of Courts  
Salem, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Following is a list of the Jurors prepared by the Selectmen of the Town of Middleton, in accordance with Chapter 234, Section 4, General Laws:

Name	Street	Occupation
Collins, Milton E.	Webb St.	Machinist
Currier, Raymond	Old So. Main St.	Retired
Frost, Alan B.	Boston St.	Supervisor
Hackett, Harry H.	Boston St.	Milkman and Salesman
Murphy, Richard M.	Maple St.	Engineering
Ogden, James H., Sr.	Park St.	Mason
Parshley, Elmer R., Sr.	No. Main St.	Truck Driver
Phaneuf, Emile J.	Maple St.	Machinist
Pickering, Charles B.	Forest St.	Electrician
Raynard, Ralph E.	Boston St.	Foreman
Roberts, Charles A., Sr.	So. Main St.	Machinist
Rubchinuk, Fred	Boston St.	Mechanic
Silva, Frank M.	Boston St.	Carpenter
Ticehurst, Laurence E.	No. Main St.	Electric Engineer
Young, William M.	Mt. Vernon St.	Retired

Very truly yours,

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Wilbur C. Rundlett, Jr., Chairman



BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the period from May 1959 to  
December 31, 1959.

Permits applied for .....	46
Permits issued .....	46
Permits to reshingle roofs .....	6
Permits to raze buildings .....	1
Estimated value of total permits issued .....	\$457,600.00
Amounts collected in fees and turned over to the Town Treasurer .....	\$376.50

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. RUNDLETT, JR.,  
Building Inspector

## ASSESSORS' REPORT

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The following is a recapitulation of the money appropriated by the Town of Middleton and the estimated receipts deducted therefrom in the determination of the 1959 tax rate.

### APPROPRIATIONS

Town Appropriations	\$666,773.97
Total appropriations voted to be taken from available funds	46,700.45
Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of prior years	916.81
Chapter 32 B., Sec. 3	3,400.00
State Parks and Reservations	1,588.87
Mosquito Control	2,306.00
County Tax	10,136.11
Underestimated County Tax Assessment	1,234.61
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	3,486.81
1959 Overlay	11,971.01
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Gross amount to be raised	\$748,514.64

### ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	38,583.07
Corporation Taxes	11,725.60
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	2,629.33
Old Age Tax (Meals) Chap. 64B, S. 10	1,130.71
Motor Vehicle and trailer excise	40,700.00
Licenses	4,000.00
Fines	40.00
General Government	1,500.00
Protection of Persons and Property	500.00
Health and Sanitation	300.00
Highways	500.00
Charities (Other than Federal Grants)	6,600.00
Old Age Assistance (Other than Federal Grants)	22,000.00
Veterans' Services	2,300.00

Schools (Funds from income tax not to be included)	18,500.00
Public Service Enterprises	179,280.00
Cemeteries (Other than trust funds and sale of lots)	1,100.00
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments	600.00
State assistance for school construction	
Chap. 645, Acts of 1948	9,970.00
Farm Animal Excise	293.00
Lieu of Taxes (Town of Danvers)	1,620.00
Lieu of Taxes (Electric Light)	4,000.00
State Recreation Areas	17.08
Amounts to be taken from available funds	58,717.53
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Total estimated receipts and available funds	406,589.24
Gross amount to be raised	748,514.64
Total estimated receipts and available funds	406,589.24
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Net amount to be raised by taxation	341,925.40
Net amount raised by taxation on personal property	16,523.50
Net amount raised by taxation on real estate	323,505.90
Number of polls assessed 948	1,896.00
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TOTAL VALUATION	
Personal Property	341,925.40
Real Estate	3,235,059.00
1959 Tax Rate	100.00

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL B. WAKE, SR.  
WILBUR A. WITHAM  
ERNEST F. LeBEAU

1959  
TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1958

Balance January 1, 1959	\$ 14,339.49	
Interest	370.76	
Collections		14,538.25
Abatement		12.90
Transferred to Tax Title Accounts		159.10
	<u>\$ 14,710.25</u>	<u>\$ 14,710.25</u>

REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1959

1959 Commitment	\$323,505.90	
Interest	83.04	
Refunds	620.50	
Collections		298,937.35
Abatements		9,317.50
Transferred to Tax Title Accounts		1,313.50
Uncollected balance December 31, 1959		14,641.09
	<u>\$324,209.44</u>	<u>\$324,209.44</u>

MOTOR VEHICLE & TRAILER EXCISE TAXES — 1958

Balance January 1, 1959	\$ 5,057.70	
Committed in 1959	1,560.28	
Interest	157.23	
Refunds	611.44	
Collections		6,228.30
Abatements		1,158.35
	<u>\$ 7,386.65</u>	<u>\$ 7,386.65</u>

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**MOTOR VEHICLE & TRAILER EXCISE TAXES — 1959**

1959 Commitment	\$ 42,254.43	
Interest	24.88	
Refunds	1,484.36	
Collections		31,286.00
Abatements		2,691.73
*Uncollected Balance December 31, 1959		9,785.94
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	\$ 43,763.67	\$ 43,763.67
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* December Commitment	\$8,191.58	

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**POLL TAXES — 1959**

1959 Commitment	\$ 1,900.00	
Interest	1.47	
Refunds	4.00	
Collections		1,591.47
Abatements		282.00
Balance Outstanding December 31, 1959		32.00
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	\$ 1,905.47	\$ 1,905.47
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**PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1958**

Balance January 1, 1959	\$ 582.65	
Interest	11.30	
Collections		593.95
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	\$ 593.95	\$ 593.95
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**PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1959**

1959 Commitment	\$ 16,523.50	
Interest	2.37	
Collections		16,233.37
Uncollected balance December 31, 1959		292.50
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	\$ 16,525.87	\$ 16,525.87
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## FARM ANIMAL EXCISE — 1958

Balance January 1, 1959	\$	16.25	
Interest		.44	
Collections			16.69
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	\$	16.69	\$ 16.69
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FARM ANIMAL EXCISE — 1959

1959 Commitment	\$	293.00	
Collections			253.76
Uncollected balance December 31, 1959			39.24
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	\$	293.00	\$ 293.00
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**SUMMARY AND COMPARISON  
COMMITMENTS AND COLLECTIONS 1958-1959**

	Collections 1958	Collections 1959	Amt. of Increase
Real Estate Taxes	\$269,949.18	\$323,505.90	\$ 53,556.72
Motor Vehicle			
Excise Taxes	43,123.27	43,814.71	691.44
Poll Taxes	1,890.00	1,900.00	10.00
Personal Property Taxes	14,772.48	16,523.50	1,751.02
Farm Animal Excise Taxes	359.90	293.00	66.90*
Total Commitments	<u>\$330,094.83</u>	<u>\$386,037.11</u>	<u>\$ 55,942.28</u>

\* Decrease

	Commitments 1958	Commitments 1959	Amt. of Increase
Real Estate Taxes	\$260,749.43	\$313,475.60	\$ 52,726.17
Motor Vehicle			
Excise Taxes	41,987.48	37,514.30	4,473.18*
Poll Taxes	1,588.27	1,591.47	3.20
Personal Property Taxes	13,873.13	16,827.32	2,954.19
Farm Animal Excise Taxes	365.45	270.45	95.00*
Total Collections	<u>\$318,563.76</u>	<u>\$369,679.14</u>	<u>\$ 51,115.38</u>

\* Decrease

**SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS**

	1959	1959	Increase
Real Estate	1228	1237	9
Excise	2021	1754	267*
Poll	945	950	5
Personal Property	56	53	3*
Farm Animal Excise	4	5	1
	<u>4254</u>	<u>3999</u>	<u>255*</u>

\* Decrease

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD E. TYLER,  
Collector of Taxes

TREE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens

I hereby submit my report for the year of 1959.

Tree work appropriation was expended as follows:

	Tree Removed
Essex Street .....	3
Liberty Street .....	18
Peabody Street .....	2
Mill Street .....	2
East Street .....	7
King Street .....	4
Pleasant Street .....	2
Mt. Vernon Street .....	1
School Street .....	5
Locust Street .....	18
River Street .....	15
Lake View Ave. ....	1
Maple Street .....	3
De-bush Ave. ....	4

Construction line clearing was done in conjunction with the Electric Light Department and the New England Tel. & Tel. Co. throughout the town.

I wish to express my appreciation for the cooperation given me by the various departments during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES DONOVAN,  
Tree Warden

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## MOTH DEPARTMENT REPORT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens:

I hereby submit my report for the year of 1959.

### Moth Dept.

Extensive spraying was applied to the trees in town during 1959. Extensive spraying applied in conjunction with the Highway Dept. for poison ivy and brush control.

### New Trees

The Tree Dept. replaced and planted new trees throughout the town.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES DONOVAN,

Moth Superintendent

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens  
of the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report of the Middleton Police Department for  
the year ending December 31, 1959.

DEPARTMENT ROSTER

James W. Wentworth, Chief of Police  
Lloyd H. Getchell, Sergeant

Regular Specials

Arthur G. Doane, Robert Hurd, Harold G. Moore,  
William C. Pennock, Norman D. Welch

OFFENSE FOR WHICH ARRESTS WERE MADE

Assault and battery .....	4
Assault and battery with a dangerous weapon .....	1
Allowing an improper person to operate a motor vehicle .....	1
Breaking and entering in the night time .....	9
Drunkenness .....	28
Escaped from the Essex County Industrial Farm .....	3
False name to police officer .....	1
Insane persons .....	8
Larceny .....	7
Leaving the scene of an accident after property damage .....	1
Lewdness and lascivious by speech or behavior .....	2
Malicious damage to property .....	2
Non-support .....	3
Operating a motor vehicle without a license .....	2
Operating a motor vehicle so as to endanger .....	1
Operating a motor vehicle without authority .....	5
Operating a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor .....	7
Operating a motor vehicle after the license was suspended .....	2
Operating a motor vehicle to the left of the traveled part of the way .....	1
Speeding .....	49
Total .....	137

Arrests made in Middleton by the State Police are listed above also.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Ambulance cases .....	75
Automobile accidents investigated .....	63
Booked and warned for speeding and etc. ....	107
Complaints received and investigated .....	382
Cruiser cases .....	33
Dogs shot by police department .....	7
Dogs killed by automobiles .....	11
Escaped patients returned to the Danvers State Hospital .....	6
Firearm permits issued .....	10
Fire alarms that police went to .....	24
Licenses suspended and revoked through the Registry of Motor Vehicles for speeding and etc. ....	72
Missing and lost persons found .....	7
Messages delivered .....	33
Motor vehicles transfers (civilians) .....	112
Summons and warrants served .....	42
Turned over to Town Treasurer for firearm permits .....	\$20.00
Stolen property recovered .....	\$2,420.00

As in past years we have investigated many property damage cases not listed above which have been settled satisfactorily to all concerned without making arrests or going to court.

In closing the men are to be commended for their prompt response and their efficiency of operation. A sincere thanks is extended to the State Police, officials of the Town of Middleton and to the Board of Selectmen and townspeople. To all those who assisted this department in any way we are grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES W. WENTWORTH,

Chief of Police



DOG OFFICER'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens  
of the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report as Dog Officer for the year ending  
December 31, 1959.

Complaints received and investigated .....	52
Dogs restrained .....	17
Dogs killed by automobiles .....	11
Dogs shot by Police Department .....	7
Dogs put in pound .....	18
Dogs returned to rightful owners .....	19
Reports of dog bites .....	17
Stray dogs disposed of .....	18

In making this report I would like to advise that there was 48 delinquent licenses. The owners were notified to license their dogs and did so without court appearance. I wish to notify all dog owners that their dog licenses are due April 1, 1960 and payable to the Town Clerk. Chap. 140 Sec. 138 : Being the (owner) or (keeper) of a dog 3 months old, after March 31st, and you did not cause it to be licensed. (Penalty \$15.00) each.

In closing again I wish to extend my appreciation for I am deeply grateful for the splendid spirit and cooperation shown by the Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk, and all dog owners during the year 1959.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES W. WENTWORTH,

Chief of Police



BOARD OF APPEALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton:

The Board of Appeals respectfully submits its report for the year  
ending December 31, 1959.

Regular meetings held	.	.	.	.	.	12
Public hearings held	.	.	.	.	.	18
Applications filed	.	.	.	.	.	2
Decisions granted	.	.	.	.	.	14
Decisions rejected	.	.	.	.	.	2
Renewals	.	.	.	.	.	9

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF APPEALS

William H. Sanborn, Chairman  
Donald A. Aylward, Clerk  
Beaumont Hurd  
Walter Cilnton  
Frederick C. Jones

## ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of the Town of Middleton

Gentlemen:

The Board of Electric Light Commissioners respectfully submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1959.

Regular meetings were held by the Board at Memorial Hall.

During the year a three phase line was constructed on North Main Street from DeBush Avenue to the Three Pines area.

Street lights were installed on Liberty Street from Mill Street to Lakeview Avenue in accordance with the vote of the people.

The street light circuit was extended on Webb Street to connect three additional lights.

A three phase line on Forest Street has been relocated for a distance of 2400 feet to conform with the Chapter 90 road construction program.

During the year 26 service entrances were converted from 120 volt 2 wire to 240 volt 3 wire service. Twenty-two new 3 wire services were constructed, and 10 temporary services connected.

This Department purchased 6,713,007 K.W.H. of electricity at a cost of \$110,334.42. Our peak demand occurred on December 21st and was 1632 K.W.

The system line losses were 7.2%.

An extensive study of our rates has been made. As a result of this study, a new Residential Rate "A" has been designed, which will become effective March first 1960. This new Rate Schedule, with its Discount provision, will provide a saving to all of the Residential consumers whose monthly use is above 26 K.W.H.

The Board of Electric Light Commissioners wish to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Departments of this town and the citizens for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Electric Light Commissioners

JOHN MUZICHUK

FRANK E. DOW

J. LANSING ENGLISH

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## INSPECTOR OF WIRES REPORT

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Board of Selectmen

Middleton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I wish to submit my report for the year 1959.

There were 364 permits issued, sixty-three of which included change of service from 110 to 220 volts due to bad conditions or increase in loads. Fifty-three of these wire permits were for power oil burners, seventeen new installations. The remainder 231 included work on home air conditioners and electric ranges. All jobs have been inspected up to date except approximately twenty which are still in the process of construction.

A total of 425 calls have been made covering 1300 miles. There were many calls made at the request of those who are planning to have electrical work installed and wanted information.

I would like to express to the townspeople that it is very important to have their main service checked before having additional electrical work done and to have electrical work done by a competent licensed electrician. It is for their safety that electrical work be inspected.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Electric Light Department and the people of Middleton for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MILBERY

# FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Citizens of the Town:

I hereby submit my Annual Report of the Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1959.

The Fire Department is a call force, consisting of a Chief, Deputy Chief, Captain, three Lieutenants, and twenty-two Privates, making a total of twenty-eight men.

The Department answered 118 calls in 1959, they are as follows:—

Buildings .....	16
Automobiles .....	5
Brush, Woods and Grass .....	26
Dump .....	9
Oil Burners .....	6
Electrical .....	5
Miscellaneous (accidents, etc) .....	32
Rescue Calls .....	9
Out-of-Town .....	5
False .....	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>118</b>

Box Alarms .....	53
Still Alarms .....	65
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>118</b>

Incoming Telephone Calls .....	863
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Inspections and Permits granted for the following:—

Permits to burn .....	525
Fireworks .....	4
Gasoline .....	0
Explosives .....	12
Oil Burner .....	24
L.P. Gas .....	47
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>612</b>



The equipment of the department is in excellent condition and repair. I wish to report that the new  $\frac{3}{4}$  Ton Pick-up Truck purchased to replace our old Forest Fire Truck arrived in July of this year and was immediately placed in service. This truck is used by the department as a multi-purpose vehicle, covering such work projects as forest fires, fire alarm, inspections and any other necessary department business. It is indeed an asset to the Town and the Department, and has received many favorable comments from our frequent visitors.

The Fire Alarm System is in excellent condition and repair. Our system is continuing to expand, with wires installed on River Street and the boxes have been purchased. These boxes will be installed immediately.

The Drill School is in its fifth year of operation, with all Department members taking part. The value of this school cannot be overly emphasized. I wish to report that in addition to the regular Drill School, ten members of this department attended Drill School in New Hampshire.

I again recommend that some thought be given to the installation of Fire Detection Systems in all Town Buildings, especially Howe-Manning School; and that these systems be tied into Fire Headquarters.

Again I urge the citizens to familiarize themselves in the proper way to call the Fire Department in case of an emergency. If you live near a street box, use it; if not, Dial SP 4-2211. Do not dial the Operator, as this connects you with the Lynn office, and many times this causes a delay because the Operator calls the Danvers Fire Department. We have been notified of fires, many times, this past year by the Danvers Fire Department, who have received the call from the Operator.

I am grateful to the Board of Fire Engineers, the citizens of the Town, my officers and men, for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. PURDY,

Chief



## REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

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Board of Selectmen

Town of Middleton

Massachusetts

Dear Sirs:

At the first meeting of the Planning Board the following were elected as officers: — Louis Barrett, Chairman; Gilbert Sanders, Clerk.

There were many extra and special meetings pertaining to large projects, that are under consideration. Progress satisfactory.

We wish to express our thanks to all the officers and citizens for their co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS BARETT, Chairman

HENRY SAWYER

GILBERT SANDERS

LIONEL BARROWS

FRANK CONNORS

## BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE REPORT BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Middleton

Report to the Town of Middleton for the year ending December  
31, 1959.

### GENERAL RELIEF:

Unsettled State	5 cases	10 persons
Outside Cities and Towns	4 ases	18 persons
Middleton Settled	4 cases	10 persons
Middleton Settled and aided in other Cities or Towns)	2 cases	2 persons

### AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN:

No settlement laws in ADC	8 cases	20 persons
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### DISABILITY ASSISTANCE:

No settlement laws in DA	2 cases	2 persons
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### OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:

Unsettled State	7 cases
Outside Cities and Towns	4 cases
Middleton Settled	29 cases

Total    40 cases

### Cost of Medical Expense for the years 1958 and 1959

	1958	1959
Old Age Assistance	\$ 17,075.23	\$ 19,920.15
Disability Assistance	1,662.60	1,781.56
Aid to Dependent Children	1,696.87	1,154.10
	<hr/> \$ 20,434.70	<hr/> \$ 22,855.81

### CUMMINGS FUND (Board of Public Welfare, Trustees)

Persons Aided (Middleton Residents)    4 persons

The Board of Public Welfare wishes to thank the Board of Selectmen and the other Departments of the Town for their cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. MERRIFIELD, Chr.

ROGER M. PEABODY

LEYLAND A. PHILLIPS, Clerk

## REPORT OF WATER BOARD

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Middleton

Gentlemen:

Herewith is submitted our third annual report as your water board.

This past year has been a busy one for the board. A situation developed on Lakeview Avenue whereby the residents in that area could not get water enough for their needs. They requested and were granted a hearing on their problem, and after a number of meetings it was decided the Town would supply 6" water main and fittings and put main across Route 114. The residents would pay for rest of installation, also we installed one hydrant on top of hill.

This job was completed in the late fall and everyone seems well satisfied with the results. A total of 880 feet of 6" pipe was used. The one job took practically all of our appropriation.

Another project that was completed this year was to clean up around hydrants, paint them, and paint bands on poles near each one.

On Liberty Street a hydrant was moved and about 300 feet of 6" pipe was put in and the expense was assumed by the contractor who built one or two houses in the area.

The King and Mt. Vernon Street job was held up this year because of the trouble on Lakeview Avenue which took all our money.

Money has been appropriated for the Highway Department to work on Mt. Vernon Street so the Water Board has asked for \$4,000.00 to be used to install 6" pipe. When this work is started pipe will have to be placed in bridge as it is built.

In conjunction with the reconstruction of Forest Street we have installed 525 feet of 8" pipe and two hydrants which used most of our \$4,000.00 appropriation.

We have not as yet come to any agreement with the Town of Danvers as to getting some revenue from sale of water which is now all taken by the Town of Danvers. We are still working on this very important matter.

During the year we had two (2) hydrants broken by cars hitting them.

In closing we would like to call the attention of the citizens of Middleton to the condition of the water mains. Many streets have only 1" - 1½" and 1¼" lines feeding a great number of houses, and more houses are being built all the time and connecting to these small lines which puts extra burden on them. The more homes the less pressure they get. Pipes are very old and inadequate, so in the very near future we are sure to have trouble and a very large expense. Already in (1960) we have had one break to take care of in a 1¼ ½ line.

It seems to us a fund should be built up to take care of these emergencies. Maybe a betterment program would be the answer. This problem is something to think about as it is getting very serious.

The Water Board wishes to take this opportunity to thank the other Town Departments for their cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully yours,

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS,

Donald Aylward, Chairman

Benjamin Richardson

Roger M. Peabody, Clerk



## REPORT OF THE FIRE TRUCK PURCHASING COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

Citizens of the Town:

In accordance with Article 12 of the Annual Town Meeting of March, 1959, Moderator Daniel J. Donovan appointed the following men to serve as members of the Fire Truck Purchasing Committee:— Fire Chief Harold F. Purdy, Fire Capt. George W. Nash, Fire Lieut. James H. Ogden, Sr., Selectman Manuel Gilboard, Finance Committeeman Richard Cressey.

The committee organized March 31, 1959 in the following manner:— Chairman, Harold F. Purdy; Clerk, George W. Nash; Committeemen, James H. Ogden, Manuel Gilboard and Richard Cressey.

It was voted to write specifications and invite bids to be opened April 14, 1959, to furnish the Town of Middleton with a  $\frac{3}{4}$  Ton Pick-up Truck for the Fire Department, bids were also to include equipment, (heater, etc.).

On April 14, 1959 bids were opened, with the low bidder being Getchell Motors, Danvers, Mass., with a low bid of \$2,243.57 for the  $\frac{3}{4}$  Ton Pick-up truck.

Immediately after the bids were opened for the truck, the committee called for bids from various fire-fighting equipment dealers to furnish the necessary fire-fighting equipment. This equipment was purchased from Farrar Company, Charles H. Clougherty Co., and General Electric Co.

The following is an accounting of the funds voted by the Town to the committee:—

Total appropriation — \$4,000.00	
Bid of Getchell Motors .....	\$2,243.57
Fire-fighting equipment and radio .....	1,652.43
Lawrence Eagle .....	18.00
Total expended	\$3,914.00
Unexpended balance	86.00
TOTAL	\$4,000.00



The sum of \$86.00 was returned to the Town of Middleton.

Fire Chief Harold F. Purdy invites all interested citizens to visit the Fire Station and inspect this new equipment and all other fire equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. PURDY, Chairman

GEORGE W. NASH, Clerk

JAMES H. OGDEN

MANUEL GILBOARD

RICHARD CRESSEY

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens:

I hereby submit my report for the year of 1959.

Highway work was carried on in the usual manner, 1959 was much the same as the past few years. Ice presented a larger problem than the actual plowing of snow.

Chapter 90 Construction

Due to cold weather we had to close down Chapter 90 construction on Forest Street. It will be resumed in the spring and we should have thirty-one hundred feet completed by the end of May.

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Maple Street was seal coated for a distance of .76 of a mile. Essex Street was resurfaced for a distance of .35 of a mile. Two hundred feet of drainage and catch basin was constructed on Maple Street.

Chapter 81 Maintenance

The following streets were resurfaced during the summer:

Essex Street .....	.65 of a mile
Lake Street .....	.97 of a mile
Liberty Street .....	.70 of a mile
Locust Street .....	1.28 of a mile
Log Bridge Road .....	.32 of a mile
Mill Street .....	.45 of a mile
Peabody Street .....	.50 of a mile
Park Street .....	.43 of a mile
Belevieu Street .....	.22 of a mile
Beatle Road .....	.20 of a mile
Curtis Avenue .....	.17 of a mile
Meagher Street .....	.12 of a mile
Phaneuf Street .....	.15 of a mile

Storm Drains

A new culvert was constructed on Peabody Street, 80 feet of new drainage on Maple Street and catch basins were repaired on Boston Street and Phaneuf Street.

General Highway

General Highway work consisted mostly of drainage, cleaning, and cutting brush. We also sprayed some brush in cooperation with the Tree Department.

The Highway Surveyor and members of the department wish to thank the Board of Selectmen and all other Town Departments for their fine cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLAN G. MARSHALL,  
Highway Surveyor

**Town of Middleton**  
**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS**  
**OF THE**  
**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**TO THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 15, 1960**

Your Finance Committee held a series of eight meetings to discuss proposed expenditures with those submitting budget requests, and conducted an open hearing February 9, 1960, to review with voters and department personnel the issue involved.

The recommended budget, detailed under Schedule "A", amounts to \$612,390.21, a sum exceeding last year's by \$103,835.89. This heavy increase is occasioned largely by Masconomet Regional School's first full year of operation, the 1959 budget covering merely four month's operation.

Voters should be mindful that the community's tax rate, in the final analysis, is determined by decisions they themselves make town meeting night.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD CRESSEY, Chairman

ROBIN JONES, Clerk

HAZEN M. RICHARDSON

J. RUSSELL WALLEN

BARTHOLOMEW J. WHELAN

## ANNUAL TOWN WARRANT

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ARTICLE 1. To hear and act on Committee Reports.

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1960, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew such note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 17 of the General Laws.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 3. To fix the compensation of elected officers, provide for a Reserve Fund, and to determine what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from available funds, to defray charges and expenses of the Town, including debt and interest, for the ensuing year.

Committee recommendations set forth under Schedule "A".

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Assessors to use \$12,000.00 from available funds to reduce the tax rate.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 5. On petition of the Board of Electric Light Commissioners, to see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$4,000.00 from the earnings of the Electric Light Department, said sum to be used for reducing the tax rate.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 6. On petition of the Highway Surveyor, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 to be expended for the purchase of a new two-ton dump truck, in accordance with the specifications as set forth by the Highway Surveyor and Board of Selectmen; said sum to be raised and appropriated in the following manner; \$2,000.00 appropriated from the Road Machinery Fund, and \$1,500.00 to be raised.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 7. On petition of the Board of Water Commissioners, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or take any other action thereto, the sum of \$4,000.00 to extend the six inch water main on King Street and install one hydrant at corner of Mt. Vernon and King Streets.

Not recommended.



ARTICLE 8. On petition of the Board of Electric Light Commissioners, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in conjunction with the Board of Electric Light Commissioners, to acquire a certain parcel of land, by deed, adjacent to the present sub-station, for the future expansion of the facilities of the Electric Light Department. To vote to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 from the Surplus Account of the Electric Light Department for the foregoing purpose.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 9. On petition of Raymond H. Currier, Jr. and others, to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purchase of materials and to install lighting on Lakeview Road as far as Albert Gould's, and one (1) each on the corner of Lakeview Road and Cross Street, and Cross Street and Juniper Avenue; said amount to be taken from the earnings of the Electric Light Department.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 10. On petition of Ebbe B. Wennerberg and others, to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to install lighting on Park Avenue (Haswell Park, so called) as far as Leopold Blais; three (3) in number; said amount to be taken from the earnings of the Electric Light Department.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 11. On petition of Frank Pomroy and others, to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,200.00 for the purchase of materials and to install street lighting on Essex Street, north from School Street; said amount to be taken from the earnings of the Electric Light Department.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 12. On petition of the School Committee to see if the Town will authorize a School Facilities and Needs Advisory Committee, appointed by the Moderator, consisting of five members, one or more members of which will be a member of the School Committee, one or more of which will be a member of the Board of Selectmen, and one or more of which will be a member of the **Planning Board**, to investigate and make recommendations as to additional school facilities and needs, and to report its findings at a Town Meeting not later than the annual Town Meeting of March 1961, and to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 to be expended by said committee for professional advisory services.

Recommend article with no appropriation of funds.



ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to designate the Water Commissioners also as Sewer Commissioners, and place the designation "Water and Sewer Commissioners" on the Town Election Ballot at the Annual Election of 1962 and thereafter, or take any other action thereto.

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE 14. On petition of the Planning Board, to see if the Town will vote to rezone to Business District Uses, in accordance with Chapter 111-3A and B and area of the Zoning District Map adopted March 15, 1955; said area is bounded and described as follows:

About eight acres more or less on the Westerly side of South Main Street beginning at a point on said South Main Street at the Southeasterly corner of Lot #1 of a plan entitled, "Middleton Farms, Middleton, Mass., owners Middleton Development Corp., dated December 1, 1959, Essex Survey Service Engineer."

Thence Southerly 738.79 feet, more or less, by said South Main Street to a proposed way entitled "Entrance to School." Thence turning and running Westerly to Lot #9 on said Plan by said way; thence turning and running Northerly and Northwesterly by said Plan by Lots #8, 7, and 6 to Lot #4.

Thence turning and running Easterly by Lots #4, 3, 2 and 1 to the point of beginning.

A copy of said Plan is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE 15. On petition of Gordon E. Sheldon and others, to see if the citizens of the Town of Middleton will vote to rezone for industrial or commercial purposes, a strip of land 1,000 feet wide on both sides of South Main Street from the Johnson Farm to the Danvers line.

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE 16. On petition of the Selectmen, to see if the Town will authorize the moderator to appoint a committee consisting of three (3) members to investigate and make recommendations as to sewerage facilities, and to report its findings at a Town Meeting not later than the Annual Town Meeting of March, 1961, and to raise and appropriate \$4,000.00 to be expended by said committee for professional advisory services.

Recommend article with no appropriation of funds.

ARTICLE 17. On petition of the Selectmen, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the land and buildings of the Town Hall, Maple Street, Middleton, by private sale or public auction, and to execute any deeds or other documents necessary to dispose of the same, or to take any other action thereto.

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will amend the By-Laws as adopted March 15, 1949, by adding to Part 2, Prudential Affairs and Internal Police, I, Paragraph 2: "Any person who enters upon the land of another with fire-arms, with intent to fire or discharge them thereon, without requesting and obtaining the specific permission of the owner or occupant of such land, or his agent, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10.00."

No recommendation required.

ARTICLE 19. On petition of the Selectmen, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00, said amount to be expended by the Board of Assessors for outside professional services to revalue the real estate assessments, and to authorize the Board of Assessors to execute a contract on behalf of the Town to accomplish the same.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of the Acts of 1959, Chapter 513 of the General Laws, to increase individually to an amount not exceeding \$1,200.00 the annual amount of any retirement allowance payable to an ymployee or his deepndent, which retirement allowance is now less than \$1,200.00 provided that such official or employee has been in the service of the Town for not less than 15 years.

No recommendation required.

SCHEDULE "A" — 1960 BUDGET

SCHEDULE "A" — 1960 BUDGET

Item No.	Item	Average Expended 1956-1958	Expended 1959	Recom- mended 1960
GENERAL GOVERNMENT — 3.95% OF TOTAL .				
Moderator				
1.	Salary	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Finance Committee				
2.	Epenses	50.52	59.70	100.00
Selectmen				
3.	Salaries	1,300.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
4.	Expenses	453.87	417.50	500.00
5.	Perambualting			150.00
6.	Clerk	333.33	400.00	450.00
Accountant				
7.	Salary	1,333.33	1,400.00	1,600.00
8.	Expenses	48.83	101.31	125.00

Item No.	Item		Average Expended 1956-1958	Expended 1959	Recom- mended 1960
	Treasurer				
9.		Salary	1,333.33	1,400.00	1,600.00
10.		Expenses	990.23	899.20	932.00
11.		Tax Titles	332.22	336.00	750.00
	Collector				
		Salaries and			
12.		Wages	1,513.33	2,520.00	2,640.00
13.		Expenses	867.63	740.27	980.00
14.		Equipment		576.50	
	Assessors				
15.		Salaries	1,700.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
16.		Expenses	908.07	850.00	1,000.00
	Counsel				
17.		Salary	733.33	1,000.00	1,000.00
18.		Expenses	71.85	107.30	150.00
	Clerk				
19.		Salary	500.00	700.00	700.00
20.		Expenses	446.80	347.70	350.00
	Elections and Registrations				
21.		Salaries	246.66	200.00	400.00
22.		Expenses	1,108.85	802.10	1,800.00
	Planning Board				
23.		Expenses	123.26	368.49	500.00
	Town Hall				
24.		Salary	480.00	480.00	480.00
25.		Expenses	653.68	694.22	650.00
	Memorial Hall				
26.		Salary	360.00	480.00	480.00
27.		Expenses	1,859.02	2,519.16	2,000.00
28.		Special		332.26	500.00
29.		Painting			1,000.00
	TOTALS		17,798.14	21,081.71	24,187.00



Item No.	Item	Average Expended 1956-1958	Expended 1959	Recommended 1960
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY — 5.09% OF TOTAL</b>				
	Constable			
30.	Salary	35.00	35.00	35.00
	Police Chief			
31.	Salary	4,593.33	5,300.00	5,200.00
32.	Wages	2,829.80	3,266.85	3,900.00
33.	Expenses	2,618.90	2,640.41	2,695.00
34.	Ambulance		800.00	
35.	Car		1,684.05	
	Civil Defense			
36.	Expenses	84.84	103.43	100.00
	Fire			
37.	Salaries	2,180.10	2,219.10	3,500.00
38.	Expenses	7,237.53	7,844.56	8,805.00
39.	Truck		3,914.00	
	Building Inspector			
40.	Salary	466.66	500.00	500.00
41.	Expenses	175.00	200.00	200.00
	Board of Appeals			
42.	Expenses	208.27	382.91	450.00
	Wire Inspector			
43.	Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00
44.	Expenses	115.00	125.00	130.00
	Sealer of Weights and Measures			
45.	Salary	125.00	175.00	175.00
46.	Expenses	75.00	75.00	75.00
	Forestry			
47.	Expenses	1,266.21	1,420.95	1,500.00
	Moth			
48.	Expenses	1,118.33	1,166.41	1,200.00
	Dutch Elm Disease			
49.	Expenses	1,258.34	1,453.85	1,500.00
50.	New Trees	265.46	300.00	300.00
	Dog Officer			
51.	Salary	100.00	100.00	100.00
52.	Expenses	172.67	216.00	240.00
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>25,295.44</b>	<b>34,322.52</b>	<b>30,905.00</b>

Item No.	Item	Average Expended 1956-1958	Expended 1959	Recommended 1960
HEALTH AND SANITATION — 1.33% OF TOTAL				
	Board of Health			
54.	Salaries	253.35	320.00	320.00
55.	Expenses	3,240.25	3,079.00	3,500.00
	Dental Clinic			
56.	Expenses	1,145.22	1,079.15	1,500.00
	Community Health Program			
57.	Expenses	1,766.66	2,500.00	2,500.00
	Inspector of Animals			
58.	Salary	200.00	135.00	200.00
59.	Expenses	65.00	100.00	100.00
	Inspector of Slaughtering			
60.	Salary	83.33	32.00	50.00
	TOTALS	6,753.81	7,245.15	8,170.00

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT — 8.97% OF TOTAL

	Surveyor Salary (from available department funds)	4,056.00	4,160.00	4,680.00
61.				
62.	Road Machinery Account	4,127.08	3,390.64	4,500.00
63.	Highway Expenses	5,001.94	6,497.67	6,500.00
64.	Chapter 81	4,950.00	4,950.00	5,875.00
65.	Chapter 81 State	9,075.00	9,075.00	9,075.00
66.	Chapter 90 Construction	1,487.99	2,500.00	2,500.00
67.	Chapter 90 State and County	1,819.72	7,500.00	7,500.00
68.	Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
69.	Chapter 90 State	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
70.	Chapter 718 Liberty Street		171.28	
71.	Snow Removal	12,389.12	11,003.77	10,000.00
72.	Storm Drains	1,032.33	949.45	1,000.00
73.	Street Lighting	4,000.00	4,800.00	5,000.00
	TOTALS	46,881.18	53,837.81	54,950.00



Item No.	Item	Average Expended 1956-1958	Expended 1959	Recom- mended 1960
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### CHARITIES — 8.15% OF TOTAL

	Public Welfare			
74.	Salaries	800.00	800.00	800.00
75.	Expenses	68.64	62.99	200.00
76.	General Relief Aid	5,130.00	7,516.17	7,000.00
77.	Old Age Assistance	34,823.55	26,121.51	28,500.00
78.	Aid Dependent Children	5,852.91	6,428.35	10,000.00
79.	Disability Assistance	2,427.99	1,277.79	2,000.00
80.	Welfare District Administration	1,112.00	1,450.00	1,445.00
	TOTALS	50,215.09	43,656.81	49,945.00

### VETERANS SERVICES — 1.19% OF TOTAL

	Veterans' Agent			
81.	Salary	250.00	250.00	250.00
82.	Expenses	8.17		50.00
83.	Veterans' Aid	5,920.15	8,098.97	7,000.00
	TOTALS	6,178.32	8,348.97	7,300.00

### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT — 59.2% OF TOTAL

84.	School			
84.	Salaries	89,083.21	111,627.36	114,215.00
85.	Expenses	67,304.65	57,968.19	31,262.00
86.	Supt. Out of State Travel	105.53		200.00
87.	Regional		104,083.66	215,761.51
88.	Vocational Education	852.71	1,534.57	1,500.00
	TOTALS	157,346.10	275,213.78	362,938.51

### LIBRARY DEPARTMENT — .64% OF TOTAL

89.	Salaries	1,776.67	1,586.00	1,900.00
90.	Expenses	3,086.91	3,010.87	2,000.00
	Plus Dog Tax Refund			876.97
	TOTALS	4,863.58	4,596.87	4,776.97

Item No.	Item	Average Expended 1956-1958	Expended 1959	Recom- mended 1960
<b>RECREATION — .31% OF TOTAL</b>				
	Park			
91.	Park	876.67	1,235.60	1,400.00
92.	Equipment			475.00
	TOTALS	876.67	1,235.60	1,875.00
<b>UNCLASSIFIED — 3.43% OF TOTAL</b>				
93.	Retirement Asssessment	4,841.99	6,260.31	5,454.70
94.	Memorial Day	398.08	402.51	425.00
95.	Printing Town Reports	1,014.11	1,056.00	1,100.00
96.	Insurance	5,569.82	4,918.47	5,950.00
97.	Motor Vehicle Liability Ins.	2,171.14	2,536.56	2,750.00
98.	Christmas Lighting	62.97	41.50	50.00
99.	Reserve Fund	1,687.98	1,262.89	2,000.00
100.	Group Insurance		570.08	550.00
101.	Blue Cross - Blue Shield		2,761.02	2,750.00
	TOTALS	15,746.09	19,809.34	21,029.70
<b>PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES</b>				
	Electric Light Department			
102.	Salaries	8,557.33	9,280.00	9,700.00
103.	Wages	16,940.63	18,740.06	20,000.00
104.	Energy	99,321.19	110,334.42	122,500.00
105.	Expenses	17,723.61	16,688.01	20,000.00
106.	Line Clearance	1,469.67	1,798.81	1,800.00
107.	Depreciation	8,174.70	8,915.95	9,400.00
108.	Emergency Fund			1,000.00
109.	Liberty Street Lights		500.00	
110.	Webb Street Lights		200.00	
111.	Car		2,000.00	
	TOTALS	152,187.13	168,457.25	184,400.00
<b>WATER DEPARTMENT — .65% OF TOTAL</b>				
112.	Salaries	300.00	300.00	300.00
113.	Commissioners Expenses	1,341.81*	113.25	200.00
114.	Maintenance		3,497.09	3,500.00
115.	Forest Street Special		3,973.51	
	TOTALS	1,641.81	7,883.85	4,000.00

\* Maintenance was included in expenses prior to 1959

Item No.	Item	Average Expended 1956-1958	Expended 1959	Recom- mended 1960
<b>CEMETERIES — 1.17% OF TOTAL</b>				
116.	Salaries	60.00	60.00	60.00
117.	Supt. of Burials Salary Cemetery	30.00	30.00	30.00
118.	Expenses	4,523.06	6,493.73	5,700.00
119.	Opening Graves	1,012.46	827.10	900.00
120.	New Section		425.00	
121.	Hot Top			500.00
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<u>5,625.52</u>	<u>7,835.83</u>	<u>7,190.00</u>
<b>MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST — 5.88% OF TOTAL</b>				
122.	School Addition 1950 Loan	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
123.	School Addition 1956 Loan	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
134.	Fire-Highway Building Loan	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
125.	Fire Truck Loan		3,000.00	3,000.00
126.	Interest	7,176.14	8,577.38	8,000.00
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<u>32,176.14</u>	<u>36,577.38</u>	<u>36,000.00</u>
	<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>	<b>371,399.89</b>	<b>521,645.62</b>	<b>612,390.21</b>



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
of the  
**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
Town of  
**Middleton**



for the year Ending December 31,  
**1959**





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## SCHOOL REPORT

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### School Committee

MR. EBEN L. JEWETT, Chairman	Term expires 1961
MR. GEORGE CLAYTON, Secretary	Term expires 1962
MR. HENRY LUSCOMB	Term expires 1960
MR. HENRY SAWYER	Term expires 1960
MRS. ROSAMOND BASTABLE	Term expires 1961

### SUPERINTENDENT-PRINCIPAL

GEORGE E. PORT, JR.

Office: Howe-Manning School

Tel. SPring 4-3517

Office Hours — 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. — Monday - Friday

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### School Calendar

#### 1960

Open January 4, 1960

Close February 19, 1960

VACATION — ONE WEEK

Open February 29, 1960

Close April 14, 1960

VACATION — ONE WEEK

Open April 25, 1960

Close June 10, 1960

SUMMER VACATION

Open September 12, 1960

Close December 22, 1960

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### School Holidays

Good Friday

May 30

November 11

November 24 and 25

(and such other days as the School Committee may designate)

The School Calendar may be subject to change.

## No School Signals

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The following no school signals have been adopted:

- a. 2-2-2 blast on the fire alarm
- b. Two blasts at the B.B. Chemical Co.
- c. Street lights on for three minutes
- d. Radio Stations WBZ and WESX will carry an announcement on their regular no-school broadcasts.

The signal for the Howe-Manning School will be at 7:45 A.M.

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## SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1959

Age	Girls	Boys	Total
5-7	83	74	157
7-16	298	268	566
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4-5	41	37	78
3-4	54	37	91
2-3	34	42	76
1-2	45	37	82
Under one year	42	43	85

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## Age of School Admission

All children born on or before December 31, 1954 are eligible to attend school in the coming fall term. No entrance tests for children under the age requirements will be given.

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## Employment Certificates

Certificates for the employment of minors between the ages of 14-18 may be obtained at the Superintendent-Principal's office during regular office hours.

## HOWE-MANNING SCHOOL

### Corps of Teachers 1959-1960

Name		Grade	Date of Appointment
Eugene C. Winter, Jr., B.S.	Lowell Teachers Col.	Vice-Prin.	Sept. 1958
Judith Burke, B.S.	Salem Teachers Col.	1	Sept. 1959
Catherine Devane	Lesley College	1	Sept. 1937
Marjorie Smith, B.S.	Gordon College	1	Sept. 1959
Georgia Lewis, B.S.	Boston University	2	Sept. 1958
Carol Mansfield, B.S.	Salem Teachers Col.	2	Sept. 1957
Virginia Sperry	Wheelock College	2	Sept. 1958
Eleanor Cassidy, B.S.	Salem Teachers Col.	3	Sept. 1955
Lydia MacKenzie, A.B.	Providence-Barrington Bible College	3	Sept. 1959
Sheila Standring, B.S.	Emmanuel College	3	Sept. 1959
Rose Conrad, B.S.	Boston College	4	Sept. 1959
Rhoda Goodwin, B.S.	Salem Teachers Col.	4	Sept. 1957
Rose Durgin, B.S.	Gordon College	5	Sept. 1956
J. Nellie Johnston	Salem Teachers Col.	5	Sept. 1949
Silvestro Borrelli, M. Ed.	Coolidge College	6	Oct. 1958
Eugene C. Winter, Jr., B.S.	Lowell Teachers Col.	6	Sept. 1954
Ruth Chasse, B.S.	Mount Saint Vincent	Ungraded	Sept. 1958
Edward Bruzzo, B.S.	Tufts University	Art	Sept. 1953
Sally Dickey, B.S.	Boston University	Speech	Sept. 1959
Linda Mortensen, B.S.	Wheaton College	Music	Sept. 1959
Kathleen Hayes, B.S.	Boston State Teachers College	Read.	Sept. 1959

### Staff Members

Lois K. Rogers, M.D.	Yale Univ.	Physician	Sept. 1945
Leo P. Beninato, D.D.S.	Georgetown U.	Dentist	Sept. 1959
Irene Richmond, R.N.	Salem Hosp.	Nurse	Jan. 1957
Lillian Floyd	Burdett Col.	Secretary	Nov. 1959
Marjorie Comack	Fisher Bus. College	Clerk	Dec. 1959
Mary King, B.S.	Univ. of N.H.	Cafeteria Mgr.	Aug. 1958
Mary Silva		Cafeteria Worker	Sept. 1955
Lorayne Hocter		Cafeteria Worker	Sept. 1957
Myrtle Boardman		Cafeteria Worker	Sept. 1958
Helen Doucette		Cafeteria Worker	Sept. 1959
Perley Lovelace		Head Custodian	June 1957
Frederick Daniels		Custodian and Attend. Officer	July 1959

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the citizens of the Town of Middleton the School Committee submits its annual report for the year 1959.

During this past year, we witnessed the opening of our new regional school. This long-awaited change will provide the pupils from grades 7 - 12 with the best in educational opportunities. Because of this we have every right to expect that our sons and daughters will grow to be better citizens and be more qualified to fill their rightful places in an ever-increasing technical world.

We, as citizens of Middleton, can well be proud of our education-system. In keeping with our over-all objective to keep abreast of the times, we wish to bring to your attention the advisability and necessity of considering the appointment of a long-range school building planning committee. This we feel is something that is needed now - any appreciable increase in housing in the near future will require the erection, staffing, and equipping of a new elementary school.

As in previous years, we have been ever mindful of the need for keeping the school in good repair. As a result, several maintenance projects were undertaken:

- 1) Most of the temperature control system was restored
- 2) Needed work was completed on the radiators
- 3) Needed work was completed on the boilers

We were confronted this past year with the question as to whether or not Middleton would be agreeable to a School Superintendency Union on the elementary level with Boxford and Topsfield. It was the unanimous decision of your school committee that we were not interested in such a union at this time.

Our decision was based on several factors:

- 1) The time of the Superintendent would be divided between the three towns. This would dilute the educational leadership by two-thirds.
- 2) Our previous experience with Superintendency Unions has been unsatisfactory in that we felt we did not receive the leadership necessary. Furthermore, it is extremely difficult to liquidate a superintendency union if we later on decide that it does not meet our educational needs.
- 3) The financial reimbursement arrangement from the State is such under a superintendency union the final cost would be greater to the Town than it is under our present set-up.



The new State Minimum Salary Law effective as of September 1959 increased teacher salaries to \$3,600.00 minimum. Therefore, it became necessary to further increase our own teacher salaries by an additional \$200.00 across the board. This we found necessary to do in order to keep a qualified and efficient teaching staff and to attract the type of teachers consistent with our aim to provide the best within our means for our children.

During this past year, we felt it necessary to increase the cost of school lunches from \$1.00 to \$1.25 per week. Again, due to rising costs both in material and labor, we felt that this small increase was necessary. We were one of the few remaining schools still operating on the \$1.00 per person basis. This has resulted in better meals, more efficient service, and a greater variety of meals.

Your school committee has worked diligently to provide the children of Middleton with the best educational programs consistent with our financial ability to do so. As can be seen in the Report of the Superintendent-Principal many new projects have been put into effect in an effort to protect the health and to increase the learning of the Middleton children. We join with our Superintendent-Principal in urging you to read and study carefully the various reports of the School Staff which appear on the following pages. In so doing, we feel that you gain much valuable information relative to the educational system you have so carefully placed in the hands of the school officials, teachers, and school committee. By so doing, you will gain greater insight to the problems that lie ahead and what we intend to do about them.

We wish to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt thanks to both parents and townspeople for their guidance, cooperation, and for their interests during the year 1959. We look forward to your continued cooperation and constructive suggestions in the year that lies ahead.

To Mr. George E. Port, Jr. our Superintendent-Principal; to Mr. Eugene Winter, our Vice-Principal; to our teachers, supervisors, school secretary, custodians and cafeteria staff we also extend our thanks for a job well done.

Respectfully submitted,

MIDDLETON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Eben L. Jewett, Chairman

George R. Clayton, Secretary

Rosamond L. Bastable

Henry F. Luscomb

Henry Sawyer

# SCHOOL REPORT

## ENROLLMENT STATISTICS

AGE-GRADE DISTRIBUTION - October 1, 1959

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Totals
Grade											
I	17	63	6	1							87
II		18	45	14	1						78
III			21	43	8	1					73
IV				6	45	4	2				57
V					14	40	7	2			63
VI						13	33	15	3		64
Ungraded			2	1			1	7	1	1	13
Totals	17	81	74	65	68	58	43	24	4	1	435

TEACHER-GRADE DISTRIBUTION - October 1, 1959

Teacher	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Un- Graded	Totals
Miss Burke	28							28
Miss Devane	28							28
Mrs. Smith	31							31
Mrs. Lewis		27						27
Miss Mansfield		27						27
Mrs. Sperry		24						24
Mrs. Cassidy			23					23
Mrs. MacKenzie			24					24
Mrs. Standring			26					26
Miss Conrad				30				30
Miss Goodwin				27				27
Miss Durgin					33			33
Mrs. Johnston					30			30
Mr. Borrelli						32		32
Mr. Winter						32		32
Miss Chasse							13	13
Totals	87	78	73	57	63	64	13	435

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT- PRINCIPAL

To the Middleton School Committee:

Herein is submitted my second annual report as Superintendent of the Middleton School System and Principal of the Howe-Manning School.

### HOWE-MANNING SCHOOL STAFF

The faculty now consists of 16 classroom teachers, an Art Supervisor, Music Supervisor, Reading Specialist and Speech Therapist. New teachers added to the faculty include: Grade One, Miss Judith Burke and Mrs. Marjorie Smith; Grade Three, Mrs. Lydia MacKenzie and Mrs. Sheila Standring; Grade Four, Miss Rose Conrad; Music Supervisor, Mrs. Linda Mortensen; Reading Specialist, Miss Kathleen Hayes; Speech Therapist, Mrs. Sally Dickey.

As a result of grades 7 and 8 attending the Masconomet Jr. - Sr. High School, we no longer have the 4 Junior High teachers with us. However, we found it necessary, due to expanding enrollment, to add a third 3rd grade teacher. Thus, in effect, we actually lost only three classroom teachers this past year. We also added a speech therapist who works with our children two days each week.

Dr. Leo Beninato, School Dentist, and Mrs. Joseph Doucette, cafeteria worker, joined the staff in September. Mrs. Richard Floyd has just recently become school secretary, with Mrs. John Comack assuming Mrs. Floyd's former duties as part-time clerk. In July Mr. Perley Lovelace assumed the duties of head custodian, and Mr. Frederick Daniels became assistant custodian, assuming the duties formerly attended to by Mr. Lovelace. Both of these last two vacancies became available with the appointments of Mr. Nathan Hayward and Mrs. M. Douglas Seaver to the staff of the new Masconomet Regional School.

I am pleased to report that the group of P.T.A. members mentioned in my last report continues its work with the Savings Stamp program under the excellent leadership of Mrs. Willis Esty. During the year, Mrs. Joseph Connor, Mrs. Wilbur Rundlett, Mrs. Robert Scales, Mrs. Robert Jordan, Mrs. Richard Collins, Mrs. George Nash, and Mrs. Michael Lavorgna aided in the selling of savings stamps so that once again we did not have to rely on teachers or children and thereby take up precious class time.



### CURRICULUM AND EDUCATIONAL PLANNING

The attitude of the administration and faculty in regard to changes of method is one of openmindedness. It is our intent to examine new ideas closely, not jumping at everything new (since what may work in one community may not work in another) but carefully appraising each idea as to its value, chance for success and effectiveness in the educational system of the Howe-Manning School. If we feel that these ideas hold promise, we implement them, perhaps on a small scale, until we evaluate their effectiveness. If these ideas prove to be valuable and successful on a small scale, then they are adapted to the classroom to the extent that is feasible and effective.

It is our further intent to seek new ideas ourselves and not just to wait for ideas to present themselves to us, for this is a fast moving age and any educational system which waits will stagnate. Along these lines, the following are some of the adjustments we have made in our attempts to meet the educational needs of all.

In January 1958, the arithmetic classes in grades 5 and 6 were divided so that children who were clearly above or below grade level in this one subject were permitted to progress at the rate which their ability indicated best for them by having them leave their own classroom and going to a class which was working at their particular level. The plan proved to be highly successful on this limited scale and thus was expanded in September to include grades 4, 5 and 6 in both arithmetic and reading. This type of grouping is commonly known as the Joplin Plan and educational research seems to indicate that it holds a great deal of promise along the road towards the goal all schools strive for — genuine consideration for individual differences.

At the primary level, the children have been evaluated as to their achievement after they have completed the first grade. They have been placed in the division which their achievement and learning rate has shown to be, for them, the most advantageous. Since this is the first year we have approached the problem in this way, the adjustment was made in both grades 2 and 3.

A definite homework policy has been arrived at and been put into effect this year so that the children will develop proper study habits and will be prepared for the high school role ahead of them. The staff believes that practice is essential in certain key subjects and that homework is one means of providing for this practice.

The school day has been lengthened 15 minutes in line with the appeal by the Commissioner of Education that there be 5 hours of actual school time.

Our present marking system is under review by a faculty subcommittee which has polled parents and teachers and is now compiling data regarding opinions. A report from the total faculty is expected shortly.

A change in our testing program was effected this year in order to comply with a program adopted at the new regional school so that all the "feeding" elementary schools can assemble information of a comparable nature. In this regard, the administration and faculty intend to see to it that the liason between the Howe-Manning School and the new regional school is as near perfect as we can make it.

Half-hour teacher-parent conferences, by appointment on the second Wednesday of the month, were begun in September and they have thus far proven to be highly successful. The need for these conferences was felt by both the faculty and parents since they afford a definite time during a scheduled period when the child's records are at hand and other people will not interrupt. It is not intended that these conferences supplant any other conferences which parents or teachers might like to have after school hours on any other day than the second Wednesday of the month. In fact, it is felt conferences of this type are to be encouraged.

In an effort to look into the possibilities and advantages of "team report, a speech therapist was hired in September and excellent progress is being made in this direction as can be seen in the annual report of the speech therapist.

Faculty subcommittees, working after school hours, are studying some phases of school life and are suggesting such changes and additions as seem necessary. Some of these committees are the report card committee mentioned above, a teacher's handbook committee, and a committee studying our school library facilities.

The Student Projectionist Club and the Safety Patrol continue learning" and the "Gillingham Method" of reading, the school committee set aside a certain sum of money to allow selected teachers to obtain in-service training by taking courses in these educational techniques. The Gillingham Method is explained in the report of the reading specialist. The team learning technique is one which has been employed in Dedham and Danvers and has met with success in certain areas, and it is planned to make use of these techniques in those successful areas in the near future.

### ACTIVITIES

The Student Protectionist Club and the Safety Patrol continue to be of great service to the school and serve as incentives to the children who wish to be selected for membership.



Our student newspaper, the "Chalkboard", continues to give those children who like to participate in this type of activity a spur through the practical application of the language arts as well as a sense of accomplishment.

The school facilities are being used more than ever by such organizations as the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies, Cub Scouts, Grange, and various church organizations. We hope these and other organizations will accept our invitation to make still more use of these facilities.

Our first pageant since 1955 was put on this past spring when the children delighted everyone with their performance of "Sing Out Sweet Land".

### MAINTENANCE

A large part of the maintenance work this past year has been centered around the attempt to bring our heating system into good repair. A major portion of this was in putting the temperature controls of the 1937 section of the building into good repair and in replacing radiator traps as well as miscellaneous work on the boiler.

Although still more temperature control work must be budgeted for during the year 1960, it has been decided that in order to forestall any future large expenditures of this type, a Minneapolis-Honeywell maintenance control contract will be taken out on the entire building.

Another necessary item was repair of leaks in the roof of the 1937 portion of the building and some thought will have to be given in the future to a step-by-step replacement of the roofing in this section.

Recently coat hooks have been installed in the corridor next to the cafeteria so that the children will not have to place their clothing next to them on the benches while eating.

### PERSONNEL AND AUXILIARY SERVICES

Non-teaching personnel policies affecting pay-scale, vacations, sick leave, etc. have been adopted for the first time this past year and it is felt that such an arrangement will help us to get the best personnel possible and at the same time determine with as much accuracy as is possible what our non-teaching personnel responsibilities will be for the year ahead.

Definite school dental policies have been arrived at. All children are examined and the cases needing the care of the dental clinic the most are taken care of first according to a very definite pattern. There is to be an emphasis on dental hygiene education as can be seen in the report of the school dentist.

Middleton was the first community in Essex County to adopt the recommendation of the Essex County Health Authorities relative to

the Mantoux Tuberculin Test of first graders. This test is considerably more accurate and the parents can be proud that although the test is of the needle variety, they have chosen this far more accurate means of tuberculin appraisal.

A new three-year school bus contract was negotiated this past year with Rural Bus Lines of Middleton once again being awarded the contract.

Again this year, the Middleton Teachers' Association, as a Christmas project, undertook to help certain needy families by purchasing, wrapping, and delivering clothing and toys. This project is financially underwritten by anonymous donors and public-spirited persons and organizations. The sixteen families and 58 children aided appreciated the generosity of these persons and organizations.

I would like to encourage the citizens to read the reports of the various supervisors so that they will be better acquainted with some of the special services offered at the school. The definite educational planning, I feel, is even more evident this year.

### CONCLUSION

I am happy to report that the high school drop-out rate, to which the school committee formerly addressed itself in its report of 1953, has been drastically reduced. This indicates forcefully, I believe, that a community which sets for itself a goal of educational excellence can achieve it provided it is willing to provide the wherewithal, staff and attention.

I feel it is essential that the community give very serious thought to the immediate formation of a long range school building planning committee. Although it is true that as matters now stand, we will have one empty classroom in September 1960, if any appreciably large housing development is settled in Middleton, it is a fact that we will need another school immediately since it usually takes a great deal longer for architectural planning, site selection, bonding procedures, and the building of a school than it takes for the construction of a housing development.

In the many adjustments and plans which have been carried out this past year and in those adjustments and plans which will evolve in the future, the undersigned would like to express his appreciation to the entire staff, the school committee, and the citizens of the town of Middleton for their support and cooperation. May God give us the wisdom and foresight to carry out those ideas which will continue to lead our children to live of things intellectual, of country and of home.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. PORT, JR.

Superintendent-Principal

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent-Principal, Howe-Manning School:

During the year 1959 the following health programs were carried out at the Howe-Manning School.

There were 498 children given the Massachusetts Vision Test with 38 failures. All of these failures were reported in writing to the parents and most have been or are presently under treatment.

Hearing tests were given to 495 children with 27 failures. These children were all referred to their own physicians and I am pleased to say most of them have been seen by private physicians. The hearing tests are done individually by means of an audiometer and the failures are rechecked a second time before a written notice of failure is sent home.

In April of this year our diphtheria-tetanus clinic was held. There were 9 children who received the original series of 3 injections and 58 children who received a booster injection.

Although patch testing has been done in grades 1, 4 and 7 in previous years, it was decided this year, after various conferences with state health officials and the Essex County Association, that the patch testing program would be abandoned for the more accurate Mantoux Test. In this test a drop of harmless liquid tuberculin is put into the skin. This test was given to children in grade 1 in December.

Physical examinations were given to children in grades 1, 4 and 8 in the Fall of 1958 and Spring of 1959. At this time 117 children were examined by Dr. Lois Rogers, School Physician, for complete physicals. Sixty children went to their own physicians for physical examinations in grades 1, 4 and 8. There were 2 placement physicals given by the school physician. Recheck examinations were done on 73 children with known defects, and follow-up done where indicated in grades 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7. Reports of defects were sent home in writing for all the more important findings, referring them to their own physicians for care or corrections. Hemoglobin determination and urine analysis are done on children receiving the complete physical examination at school.

Approximately 350 children have visited the school clinic in the past year for illness or accidents during the school day.

A pediculosis check is conducted twice annually on all heads. This condition has not been a problem in recent years.

Heights and weights are checked annually on all children and those above or below normal are given dietary advise.

Respectfully submitted,

IRENE RICHMOND, R.N.

School Nurse



## REPORT OF THE DENTAL CLINIC

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To the Superintendent-Principal, Howe Manning School:

During the year 1959, from January to June, there were 32 fillings, 78 extractions and 25 prophylactics performed in the Dental Clinic by the School Dentist.

Since September 1959, 425 pupils have been examined and notices have been sent home informing the parents of the condition of the teeth as of the time of the examination. To date 250 school slips have been received, and of this number 96 have requested the services of the School Dentist. Examinations on this group of 96 pupils revealed 561 surface cavities, 77 extractions and 67 prophylactics to be performed.

In the latter regard, it was once again necessary to remind parents that the School Dentist is in the Clinic two morning a week only, and that it would be impossible to handle all the cases referred. As a result of this, it was suggested that parents take their children to their family dentist for care of what the School Dentist's examination has indicated needs treatment. It is very encouraging to note that more pupils are being cared for by their family dentist.

A program of dental education has been inaugurated under the supervision of the School Dentist, the purpose of which is to impress upon the children's minds the necessity of proper dental care. Under the program, the School Dentist goes into the classrooms developing the educational and preventive aspects relative to Dental Hygiene.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO P. BENINATO, D.D.S.

School Dentist

## REPORT OF REMEDIAL READING SPECIALIST

To the Superintendent-Principal, Howe-Manning School:

The Remedial Reading Program this year, is functioning not only as a special instructional tool to bolster those with weak reading achievement, but also as the instrument of the school to determine on a limited and controlled scale the effectiveness of a different type of instruction in reading.

The aims of both of these groups are similar in nature. Some of the more important aims are (1) to increase ability in silent and oral reading (2) to improve comprehension (3) to foster interest to reading and (4) to give a feeling of security in reading to all pupils.

Thirty pupils from grades three to six, who were selected on the basis of Durrell-Sullivan capacity and achievement tests, are participating in the regular remedial group work. Conventional reading techniques are used with small groups helping to provide for individual differences. Some of the more important techniques stressed with this group are (1) auditory and visual discrimination (2) applied word analysis in meeting new words and (3) increased breadth of vocabulary.

The special group mentioned in the first paragraph of this report is composed of twelve children being given a highly specialized alphabetic-phonetic approach to the teaching of reading. The pupils were selected on the basis of achievement and capacity tests, teacher recommendation and parental approval.

These pupils are given a key work to represent each speech sound. For example, the (b) in boy, the (a) in apple and the (t) in top says the word bat. New key words are included to cover all the sounds, especially the blends, the digraphs and the diphthongs.

Spelling rules and dictionary skills exercises as well as silent and oral reading are given to this group.

The value of an alphabetic-phonetic approach can be seen in that the sight vocabulary is greatly increased, and spelling ability is improved.

This phonetic approach known as the Gillingham System of Reading is said to be essential to those with specific language disabilities and has met with great success in the many clinics that use it. If it proves itself as useful in the school situation as it has in the clinics it is expected that its scope will be widened.

Special appreciation is expressed to all members of the staff, to the parents and to the people of Middleton for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

KATHLEEN L. HAYES

Remedial Reading Specialist



## REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent-Principal, Howe-Manning School:

Music at Howe-Manning School has an important place. Our goals, through a supervisory music program, are to aid children to learn and enjoy music in a way that they will use it as a tool for relaxation and enjoyment for a lifetime, besides preparing them for the more immediate future at our new regional school. Included in this class learning are singing, rhythms, music appreciation, creative activity, and music reading at each grade level.

Following a music curriculum set up by a curriculum study committee a year ago, we prepared at the beginning of September a guide of general goals for each grade level. Following a supervisory pattern, each classroom teacher receives monthly a glide sheet to follow in her teaching, as well as other materials she needs to teach music to her own class. Also, an effort is being made to counsel teachers not experienced in the teaching of music, that they may be more confident in that field. We follow a plan of teaching and observation, the teacher and I taking turns week by week.

Feeling that additional singing experience outside the classroom may be valuable for those with ability to do more difficult part-singing, we began in September a fifth and sixth grade choir which meets two mornings per week before school. They performed the major part of the Christmas program for the P.T.A.

Our instrumental program was, of course, in need of adjustment this year because of the school's change to elementary level. The third week of September we held an instrumental demonstration assembly for children of grades four through six. They were then given an opportunity to begin an instrument if they and their parents desired. Several began work, with Mrs. Sylvia Nichols again helping us with instrumental lessons. The nine advanced students meet weekly for orchestra under my direction.

Our school-owned music equipment such as record players, records, and musical instruments are in generally good condition.

Much appreciation must be expressed in this report to the Superintendent-Principal, to the teachers, and to the people of Middleton for their fine cooperation with the music program, making possible a successful 1959.

Respectfully submitted,

LINDA A. MORTENSEN

Music Supervisor

## REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent-Principal, Howe-Manning School:

The art program at the Howe-Manning School is planned in the light of the emotional, aesthetic, and kinesthetic needs of the children.

A booklet developed last year in conjunction with the art curriculum guide has been made available to all classroom teachers. This booklet contains suitable art projects, and points of learning pertinent to each lesson. It is so written as to enable the classroom teacher to present a genuinely valid and practical art lesson at all grade levels.

Particular interest is given to construction paper, paper mache, clayola, and other three dimensional projects. These projects assist in developing manual dexterity and are particularly beneficial for children whose aptitudes lay in this direction.

Drawing is encouraged to be personal and expressive at all levels. In the upper grades however, some instruction is given in geometric type drawing, and the children are taught to draw such simple objects as trucks, cars, houses, and airplanes in a geometric type fashion.

Design is taught in the upper grades in terms of its abstract principles. The importance of a variety of shapes and sizes is stressed. This leaves the children free to select their own motifs, yet guides their development of the same. In working with textile like potato and carrot prints, a geometric approach to design is taught.

In working with crayon in order that as much individuality as possible may emerge, the children are taught the many different ways in which a crayon may be used. That it may be used sideways, lightly, heavily, and fast or scribbly is shown to the children for the purpose of letting choice, and not habit, guide their approach to coloring with crayons.

Color is taught in the upper grades in terms of its warm and cool harmonics. This approach to color imposes the least restrictions upon personal choice, yet influences the children to work within the bounds of acceptable color harmonics.

Teachers are assisted in planning creative classroom decorations, bulletin boards, windows, and stage scenery, when needed.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD B. BRUZZO

Art Supervisor

## REPORT OF CAFETERIA MANAGER

To the Superintendent-Principal, Howe-Manning School:

From January 1st to June 10th, 1959, the participation in the hot lunch program was 80 per cent. The largest number of children served at one time was 388 and 16 teachers.

The menus are prepared to meet the requirements of the National School Lunch Program. The type "A" lunch must contain as a minimum: two ounces of cooked meat or other protein, three-quarters cup of fruit and/or vegetable, one slice of enriched bread, two teaspoonfuls of butter, and one-half pint of milk. To this we add a dessert and give the older children larger portions. From the Commodity Division we continue to receive a monthly allotment of butter, cheese, flour, rice and canned fruits and vegetables.

In the preceding years, we were one of three communities in Massachusetts who were still charging only twenty cents a meal. In September, it was necessary to raise the price of each meal to twenty-five cents in order to meet expenses, as the cafeteria is now self-supporting.

The acquisition of vertical bake ovens and a freezer has increased the efficiency of the physical set-up. These were purchased from the Federal Aid Revolving Fund (Public Law 874). During the summer the lower part of the walls of the cafeteria were painted. Much needed small equipment has been purchased and machinery has been put in repair.

Continuing their fine work in the cafeteria are: Mary Silva, Myrtle Boardman, and Lorayne Hocter. In June, Jennie Johnson retired after seven years of service and Helen Doucette was appointed to a full-time position. A new salary schedule was adopted which will provide more adequate remuneration.

For the cooperation given the cafeteria staff, we take this opportunity to thank everyone.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. KING

Cafeteria Manager



## REPORT OF SPEECH THERAPIST

To the Superintendent-Principal, Howe-Manning School:

As a result of a speech survey conducted in the fall of 1958, it was found that approximately five per cent of the school population would profit from the services of a trained speech therapist. As a result of this survey, the undersigned was hired to perform this function.

Forty-three children began receiving help when school started, twelve of these twice a week, the others once a week. Approximately fifteen of these children with less serious difficulties will be dismissed from these thirty minute classes by Christmas 1959 due to improvement in their particular speech difficulty.

As result of these dismissals, first grade children, who had not been tested in the original survey, are now being tested and those needing help are included in these classes. Four of these severe cases from th first grade are now receiving help twice a week.

Approximately fifty conferences with parents have been held up to this time either in the school, in the home, or in some cases by telephone. Too, each child's teacher has been informed of the problems involved and has been kept up to date on the progress made.

A demonstration lesson was presenated at a teachers' meeting at which some students with speech difficulties participated in a typical speech lesson. This lesson was followed by a panel discussion of speech improvement activities for teachers to use in the classroom.

A genuine interest in good speech has grown among teachers and students at the Howe-Manning School. For example, two members of the faculty are presently enrolled in a speech therapy course at the State Teachers' College at Salem and many special speech aids are being used in the regular classroom by the teachers.

Special appreciation must be expressed in this report to the Superintendent-Principal, to the teachers, and to the people of Middleton for their fine cooperation in making this highly successful beginning possible.

Respectfully submitted,

SALLY R. DICKEY

Speech Therapist





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